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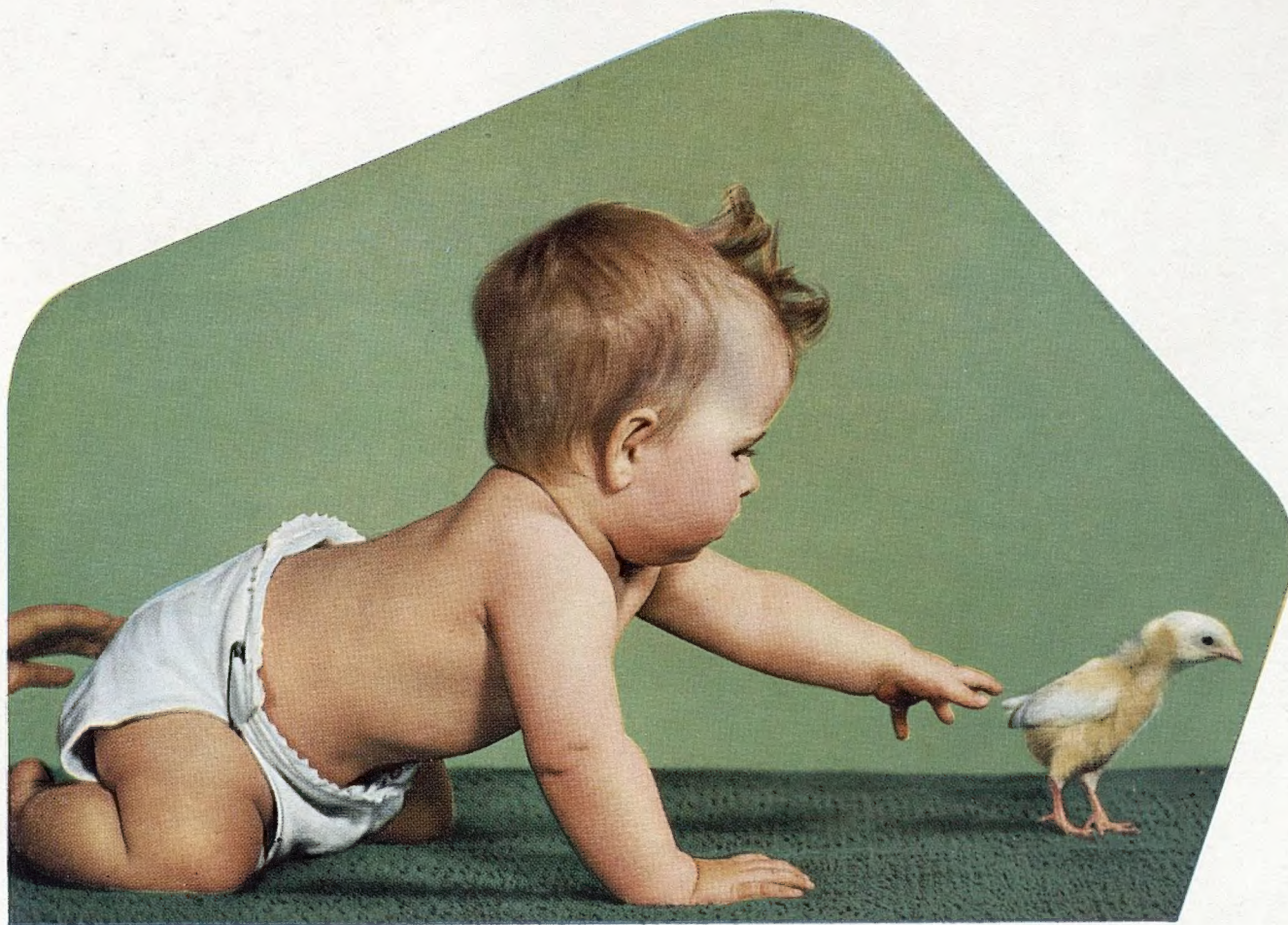
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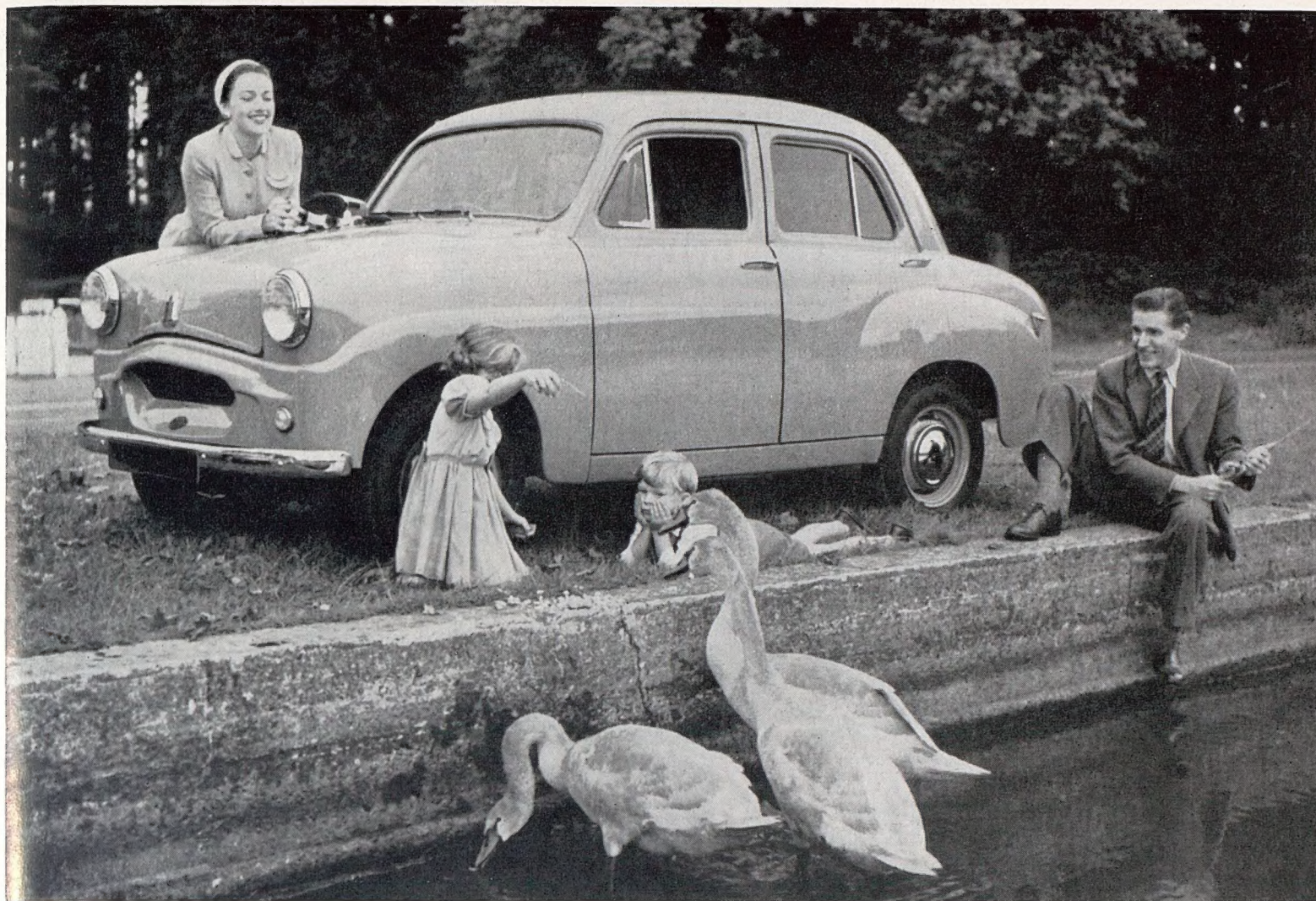
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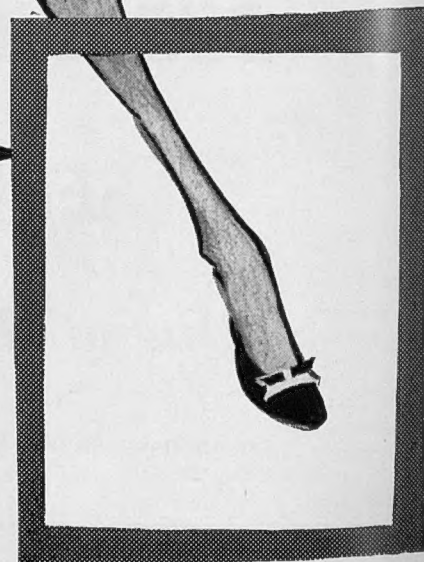
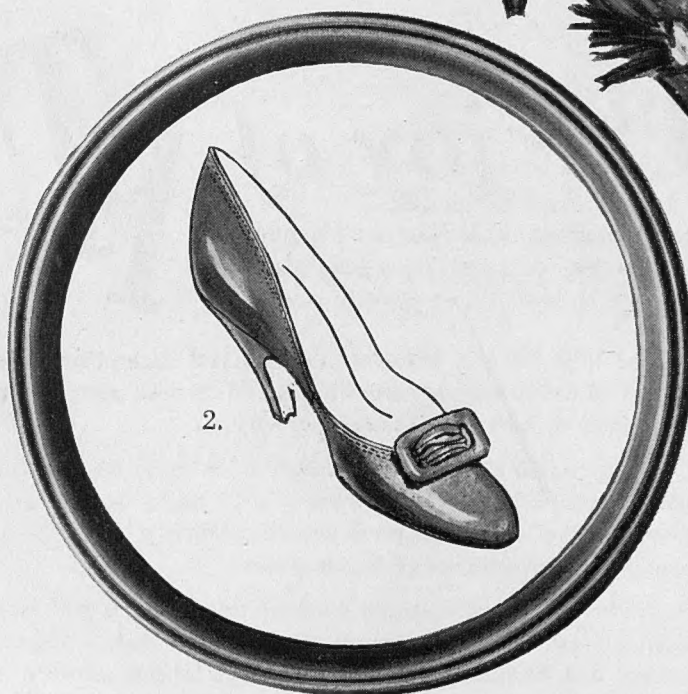
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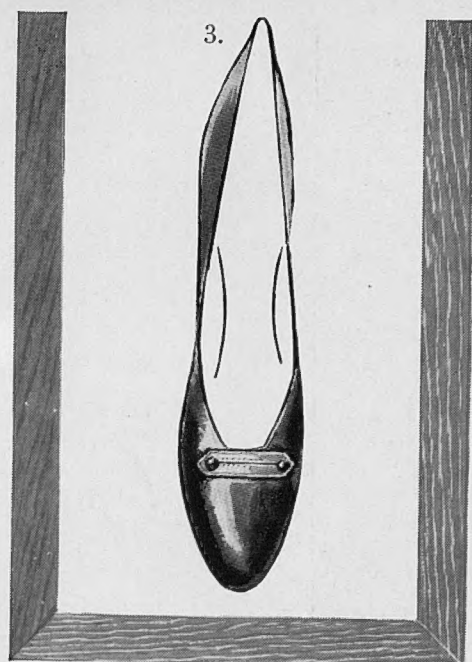
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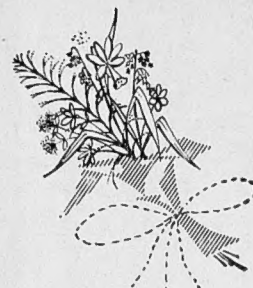
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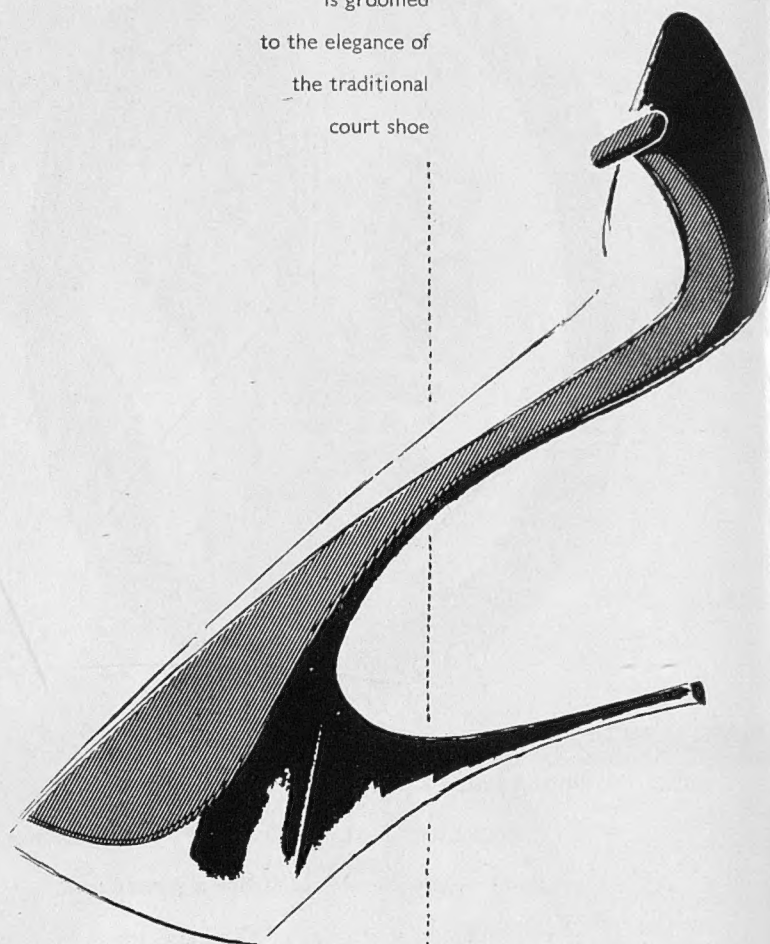


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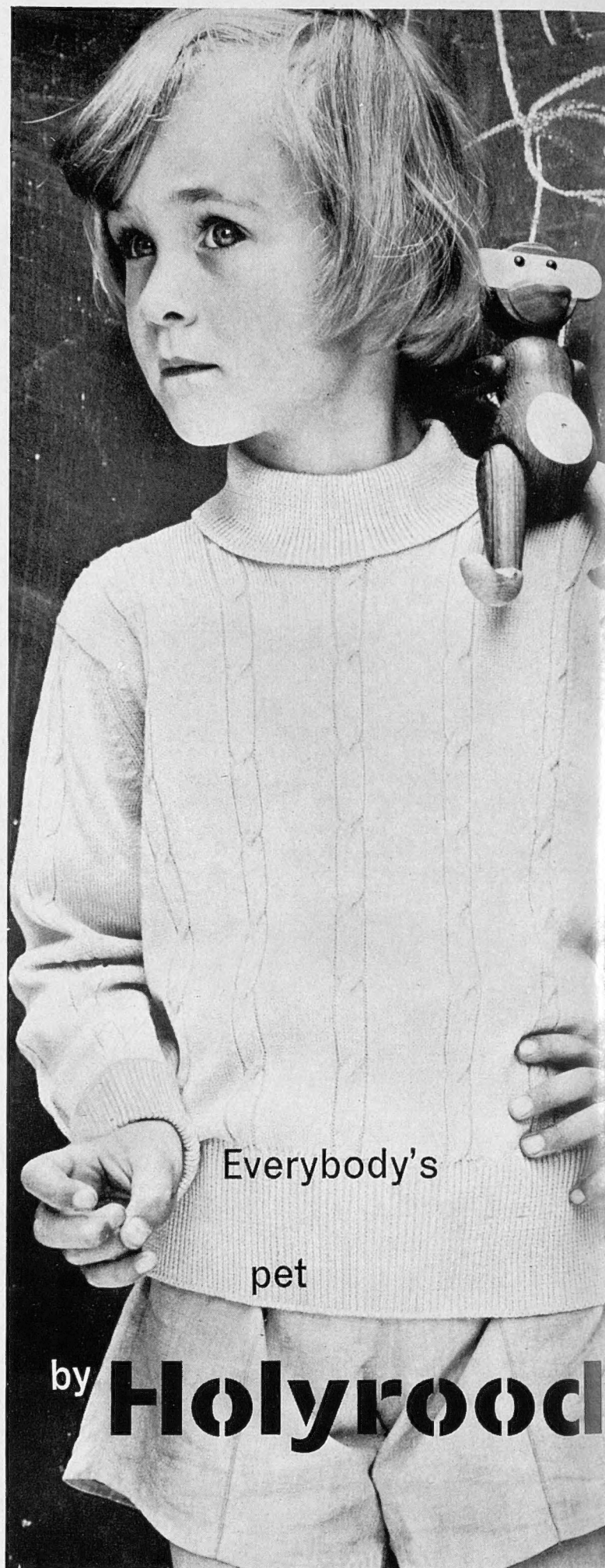
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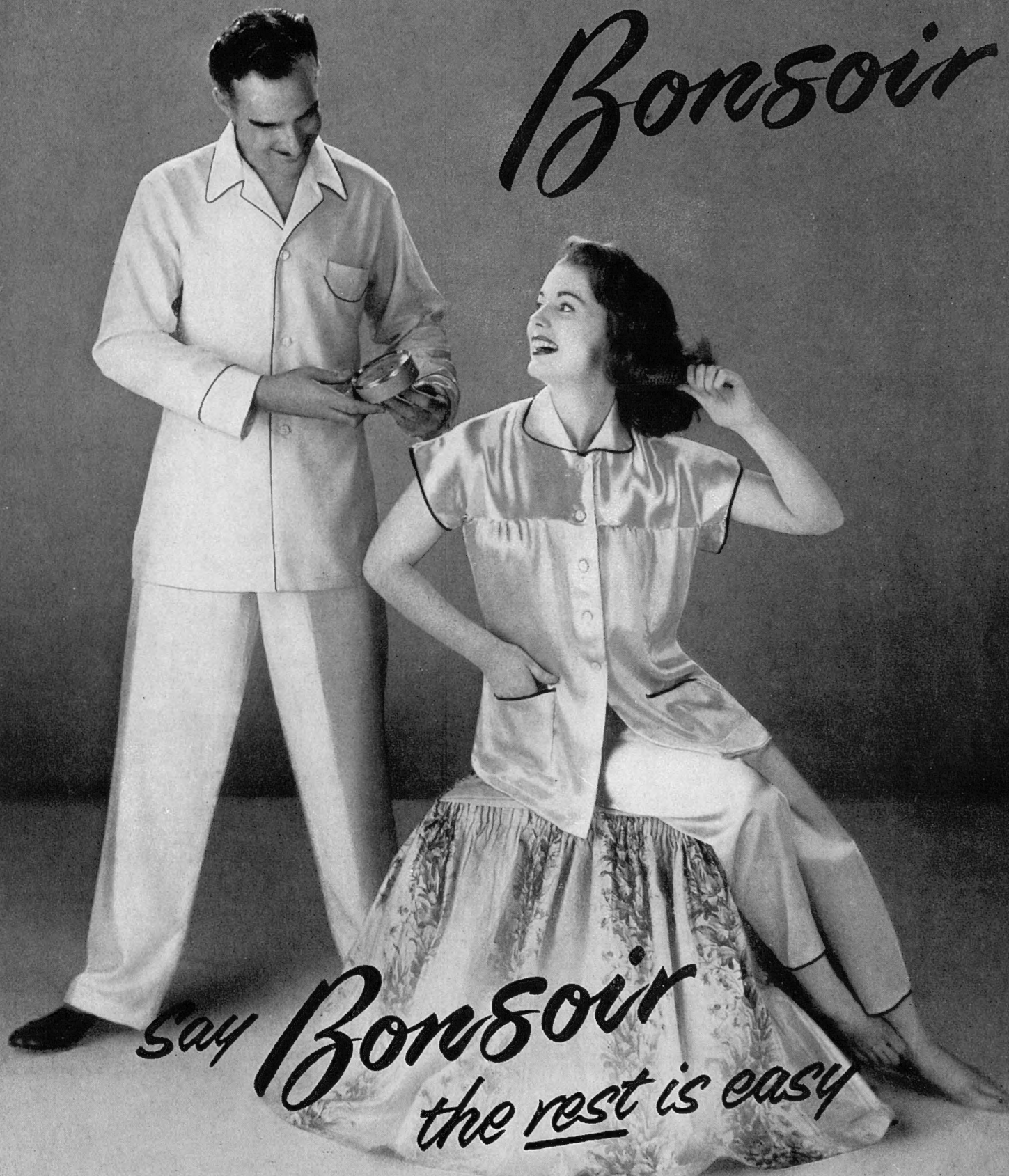
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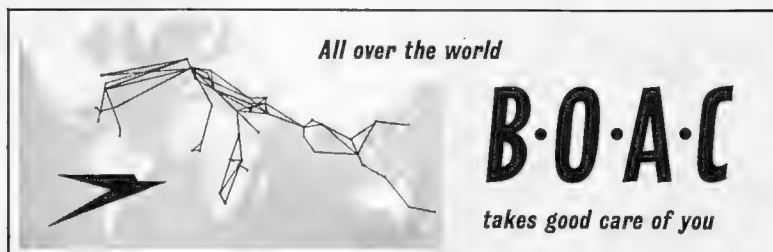
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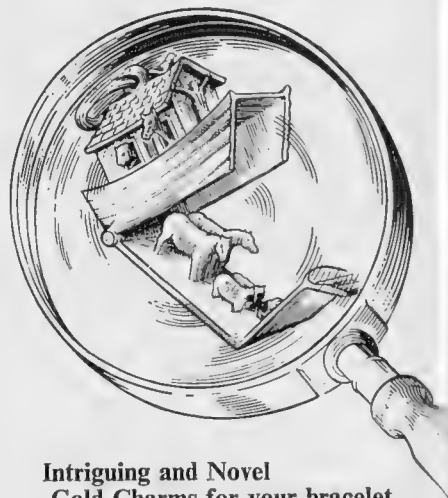
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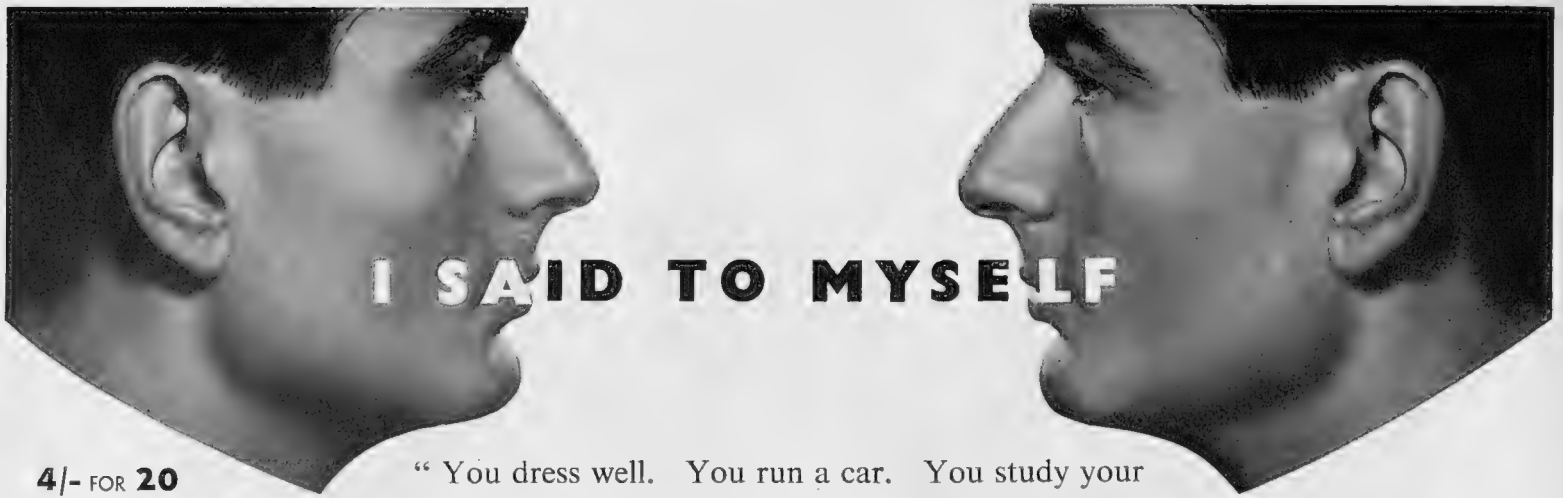


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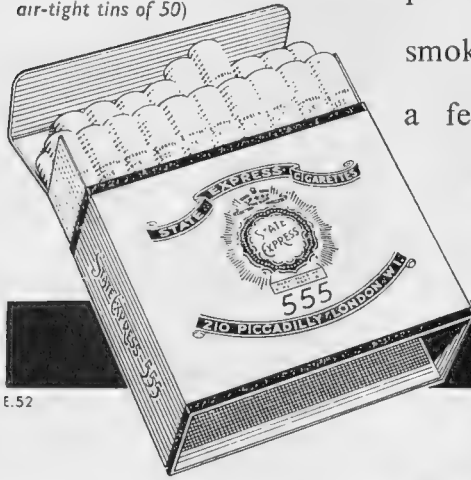
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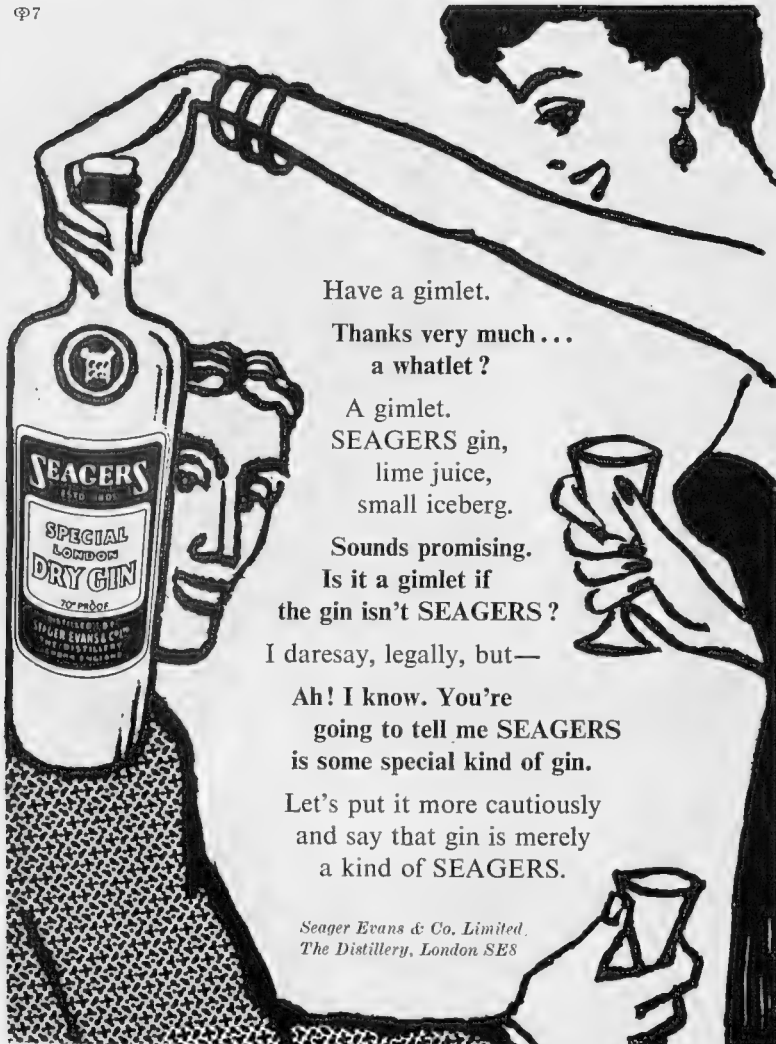
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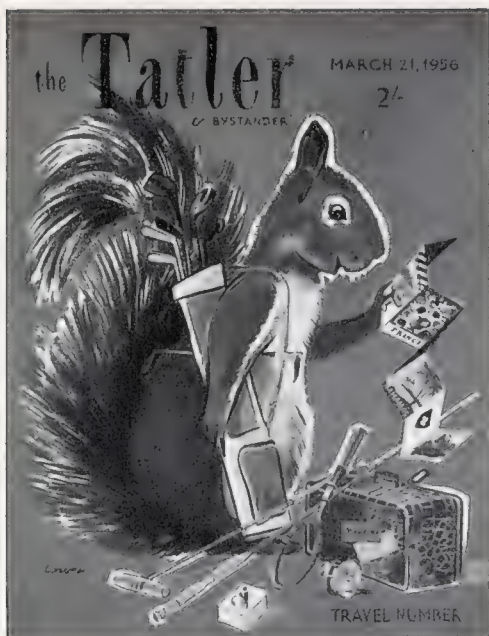
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THE EDITOR REGRETS that owing to printing difficulties over which he has no control, in this issue of The TATLER certain regular features have had to be omitted.

He asks respectfully for the tolerance of his readers and begs to assure them that it is hoped to resume normal publication as soon as possible, when the well-known contributors now absent will be restored.

DIARY OF THE WEEK

From March 21 to March 28

Mar. 21 (Wed.) Presentation Party at Buckingham Palace.

Cocktail Party: Mr. Ralph Cobbold and Mrs. Jo Vandeleur for Miss Anne and Miss Clare Cobbold, at Hungerford Lane, Villiers Street.

The London Ayrshire Society Dinner at the Dorchester Hotel.

Racing: The Lincolnshire Handicap. Steeple-chasing at Fontwell Park (two days).

Squash: Open Championship of the British Isles starts at the Lansdowne Club.

First night of *Trevallion*, a new comic opera at the Palace Theatre.

Mar. 22 (Thurs.) Presentation Party at Buckingham Palace.

The Queen, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and Princess Margaret will attend a gala performance by the Sadler's Wells Ballet at Covent Garden in aid of the Sadler's Wells Ballet Benevolent Fund.

Cocktail dance: Lady Anne Elliot for her daughter Victoria at the Hyde Park Hotel.

First night of *A Likely Tale* at the Globe Theatre, a new comedy with Robert Morley and Margaret Rutherford.

Racing at Liverpool (three days), Taunton.

Mar. 23 (Fri.) Dances: Mrs. Sydney Eaton and Mrs. Richard Villiers for their daughters Miss Susannah Eaton and Miss Linda Villiers at Luddesdown Court, Kent.

The Surrey Yeomanry Dance, at 6 Stanhope Gate, W.1.

Cocktail party: Mrs. Desmond Forde for her daughter Miss Everleigh Panter and step-daughter Miss Sylvia Forde at Londonderry House.

The Squash Rackets Association Ball at the Hyde Park Hotel.

Mar. 24 (Sat.) The Grand National Steeplechase at Aintree, Liverpool.

The Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race.

The Hambledon Hunt point-to-point at Winchester. The V.W.H. (Earl Bathurst's) point-to-point at Siddington.

The Suffolk Hunt point-to-point at Moulton, nr. Newmarket.

F.A. Amateur International Soccer Match, England v. Scotland, at Wembley Stadium.

Mar. 25 (Sun.) The Queen Mother will attend a service of dedication of the Memorial Chapel for the London Scottish at St. Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street.

The Tichborne Dole ceremony at Tichborne House, Alresford, Hants.

Mar. 26 (Mon.) Prince Philip will attend the final of the open squash rackets championship at the Lansdowne Club.

Racing at Nottingham (two days).

Mar. 27 (Tues.) Racing at Sandown Park.

Mar. 28 (Wed.) Prince Philip lunches with the Council of the Royal Society of Arts at the Society's house in John Adam Street, Adelphi. Later that day he will preside at the annual meeting of the British Horse Society at Londonderry House, Park Lane.

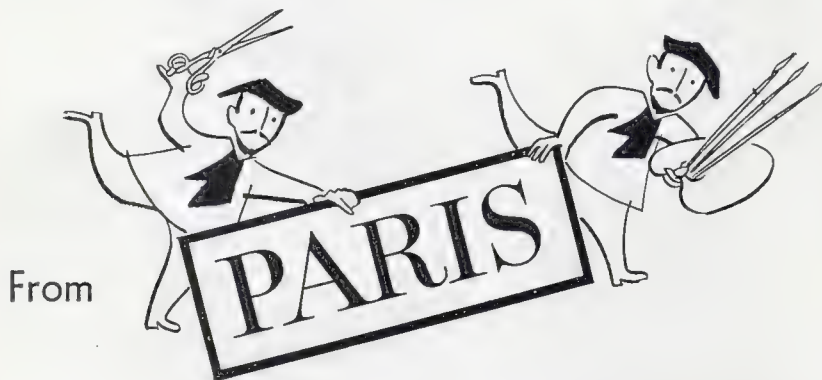
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will visit H.M.S. Ark Royal at Portsmouth.

The International Poodle Club Championship Show at Seymour Hall.

Harrow School breaks up.

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room of their home, West Wrattling Park, Cambridge. Lady Ursula's brother, who is the tenth Duke of Rutland, possesses two of the finest country houses in England, Haddon Hall, near Derby, and Belvoir Castle. He succeeded his father to the title in 1940



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Social Journal

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THE QUEEN AT CHELTENHAM

THE presence of the Queen for one day of the National Hunt meeting at Cheltenham and of the Queen Mother for two days certainly added to the attraction of this great sporting festival. The weather, too, was kind and there was brilliant sunshine on all three days, of which perhaps the warmest was the final day when the race for the Gold Cup was run. It was Cheltenham at its best, bathed in sunshine, good going on the course, and warm enough for many of the women present to wear their new tweed suits or spring coats.

The Queen Mother, who wore a pale blue coat and hat, came down from the Royal Box to see the runners in the paddock before this race, which was won by Mr. J. Davey's fine chaser Limber Hill.

IT was a wonderful race to watch, the visibility was perfect, and eleven really first-class chasers lined up at the start. Jumping perfectly and lying in a good position, Limber Hill always appeared to be going easily. Although he was only just ahead of Cruachon jumping the last fence, he was staying on well as he came up that gruelling final run amid tremendous cheering, to win by four lengths from Mr. A. R. B. Owen's Vigor with the Contessa de Sant Elia's Halloween third.

In the next race we saw another really good chaser, Mr. C. D. Scott's grey The Callant, ridden by Mr. J. Scot-Aitkin, win the four miles Foxhunter Challenge Cup in convincing style. Mr. J. A. Keith's much fancied Mr.

Shanks, ridden by Mr. J. Everitt, who won the four miles National Hunt Steeplechase the previous day on his own Rosana III, was five lengths away second and might have made it a much closer finish if Mr. Shanks had not blundered badly at the last fence. Mr. A. T. Skinner's Souffle Supreme, ridden by Mr. C. Nesfield, was third.

Although the Queen Mother's steeplechaser Devon Loch only finished third in the three mile National Hunt Handicap Chase, he ran extremely well, and must have a great chance in the Grand National at Aintree on March 24, when both the Queen and the Queen Mother and possibly Princess Margaret hope to be present.

AMONG friends of the Queen Mother, who were watching the racing from the Royal box on Gold Cup day were her host and hostess, Capt. Frank and Lady Avice Spicer, with whom she was staying at Spy Park, Chippenham, the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort, the Marquess and Marchioness of Abergavenny, Earl and Countess Fortescue, the Duchess of Northumberland, the Countess of Londesborough, Sir Eric Miéville, Major "Cuddy" Stirling Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Paget, Earl and Countess Cadogan, Lord and Lady Willoughby de Broke, Sir John and Lady Carew Pole and Mrs. Beckwith-Smith.

Much entertaining took place in the private boxes and luncheon rooms. Countess St. Aldwyn had a succession of guests, besides her house party at Williamstrip, who included the Marchioness of Northampton, Lt.-Col. and

Lady Joan Gore Langton and Major Eddie Boyd. Lady Apsley and her son Earl Bathurst had numerous friends to visit them in their first-floor box. Among these I saw Sir Derrick Gunston, the Hon. Mrs. Marten and Miss Elizabeth Hoyer Millar, Major and Mrs. Hugh Brassey, Mr. and Mrs. Van Burden, Admiral the Hon. Sir Cyril and Lady Douglas-Pennant, Maj.-Gen. P. Gregson Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. John Batten and Mr. Phil Forsythe-Forrest were among friends who enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Violet Kingscote in the box she shares with Major Stirling Stuart. Capt. and Mrs. Charles Tremayne also had a host of friends enjoying their box and luncheon room during the meeting, including the Earl and Countess of Normanton, Mr. and Mrs. Jock Swire, Capt. and Mrs. Duncan Mackinnon, Mr. Angus Lillingston and his uncle, Capt. Geoffrey Brooke, the successful Newmarket trainer.

OTHERS dispensing hospitality in private boxes included Mr. Graeme Whitelaw, Mr. Dick Wilkins, who had several runners at the meeting, and Mr. John Rogerson with his very attractive daughter Valda who rides a point-to-point so well—they had one of the new boxes above the Royal box which have a marvellous view of the course. Mrs. Rogerson unfortunately was not with them as she was laid up with influenza. Among the very big crowd racing were the Earl and Countess of Cottenham, who have several horses in training, Judge Wylie who like Lord Fingall, Brig. Dominick Browne and Mr. and Mrs. Roly Byers was over from Ireland for the meeting, the Duke of Devonshire, the

Earl and Countess of Gainsborough, Mr. George Murray Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lawrence and their eldest daughter Dawn, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Player, Mr. and Mrs. John Midwood down from Cheshire, Lord and Lady George Scott, the Hon. Philip Kindersley, Sir Nigel and Lady Mordaunt, who were only there Gold Cup day, Major and Mrs. Derek Wigan, and her brother and sister-in-law, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. John Christian, who had a house party at their home at Rendcombe including Earl and Countess Cadogan. The Countess is, she told me, busy with numerous charity functions this summer including being chairman of the Débutante Dress Shows at the Berkeley Hotel on April 30 and May 1, in aid of the N.S.P.C.C.

I MET Mrs. Geoff Phipps Hornby, whose many friends were inquiring after her husband, Major Geoff Phipps Hornby, the well-known polo player who had such a severe accident a few weeks ago when the horse he was riding got its foot caught in wire. Lady Walker was watching the horses in the paddock with Mr. and Mrs. Derek Hague. Here I also saw Mr. and Mrs. George Gibson, Major Dudley Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Wellman who are hoping her Quare Times will repeat his success of last year in the Grand National, Mr. Anthony Barclay who was filming the Gold Cup runners, Major Gwynne and the Hon. Mrs. Morgan Jones, Sir Rhys Llewellyn, Mrs. Tom Nickalls, Mrs. Arthur Smith Bingham and Brig. and Mrs. Hugh Leveson Gower.

Others racing that day included Major Dick Verdin whom I met talking to Miss Diana Harrison, Mrs. Cartwright and her son Mr. Charles Smith-Ryland, Lady McCorquodale and her pretty daughter Prue, Major and Mrs. Alan Wood, Major Patrick Smyly, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ingham who were down from Yorkshire, Capt. Hector Christie and the Hon. Mrs. John White who had Lochroe running in the Gold Cup.

During the meeting I was interested to hear that the race-course authorities have not only had the new Royal box and the extra private boxes constructed in the West Stand during the year, as I mentioned last week, but among other improvements they have also built more accommodation for the lads, including excellent new airy sleeping accommodation with proper lockers, and a mess room and cooking facilities, well lit and heated.



H.R.H. PRINCE HASSAN BIN TALAL, brother of King Hussein of Jordan, who was nine this month. He is to attend a preparatory school in England before going to Harrow

I once again stayed for the meeting at the Bear Hotel at Woodstock, where the rooms are warm and comfortable and the cooking first class. Motoring back to London after racing on the final day, we stopped at the Myllet Arms Hotel on Western Avenue at Perivale, which Monsieur Bonesi, who was for twenty-three years manager of the Berkeley Hotel in London, took over last summer. He has redecorated and refurnished the restaurant and cocktail lounges, and got two French chefs and a really efficient West End staff to make it a very good place for lunch or dinner. As it is only nine miles from the West End, it will be very handy to run down to for dinner on a hot summer's evening.

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As I said last week great developments are going ahead in the Bahamas, where this year they have been enjoying a better season than ever. There are many good hotels which have been full and those houses not occupied by their owners have all been let. Visitors wanting warmth and sunshine in the

winter months come to the Caribbean from the British Isles, Canada, the United States and many other parts of the world, and as it is a sterling area there are no currency worries for British visitors.

I was interested to find during my stay both in the Bahamas and other parts of the British West Indies how many visitors were taking advantage of B.O.A.C.'s new "Family Plan" of reduced fares for families travelling on its transatlantic air services during the winter months from November to the end of March. This winter the saving on transatlantic services for a wife who accompanied her husband, and for children between 12-25 years of age, was £107 3s. each between London and New York on a round trip flight, or £71 9s. when travelling tourist class. From London to Canada, Bermuda, the Bahamas or Jamaica return the saving was the same.

The Bahamas are, I was told, the biggest dollar earning holiday area in the Commonwealth, largely on account of the tourist service. There are numerous pleasure cruises from the United States and a frequent air service from Florida to Nassau on New Providence, which only takes one hour, so some U.S. visitors fly over quite often for the day.

THERE is plenty to attract the visitor including, besides superb bathing and water ski-ing, good tennis, a golf course (and others to be built) racing twice a week, excellent sailing and some of the best fishing in the world, both deep sea and shallow water bone fishing. The latter is becoming a stern challenger to salmon fishing and many experienced anglers declare it is even more exciting than killing a difficult salmon. Among the best islands for fishing are Bimini, Andros, which is the biggest of the group, and Abaco. An important event in the Bahamas is the annual Tuna Tournament that Mr. Louis Wacey holds at Cat Cay, in the Gulf Stream. Here fish are caught up to 900 lb. and I hear it is to become an international event. Last year at this tournament the Governor's wife, the Countess of Ranfurly, landed a 339 lb. tuna, but she was beaten by Mrs. McLean of Canada who landed a 550 lb. fish!

Another amusing sporting event is the annual regatta which takes place during the first week in April, off Exhuma, and is becoming increasingly popular. Here Bahamian

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Major Philip Profumo, M.F.H., and Miss Joanna Smith Bingham



Mrs. Dalton White, Mr. J. H. Ramsden and Mr. Dalton White



The Earl and Countess of Gainsborough

Some racegoers who attended this year's National Hunt meeting at Cheltenham

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THE COUNTESS OF RANFURLY, wife of the Governor of the Bahamas, with the 339 lb. tuna fish she caught in the Ladies Day International Tuna Tournament at Cat Cay

fishermen and yachtsmen, who navigate their craft through the blue but reefy waters with the greatest skill, race for three days.

Great developments are planned for the islands. The week I arrived in Nassau it had just been announced that the millionaire Canadian, Mr. E. P. Taylor of Toronto, had bought 3,000 acres of land and sea frontage at Lyford Cay on New Providence which he proposes to develop immediately. Firstly, on 700 acres he is having an eighteen-hole golf course laid out; he is also making one of the eighteen-hole ("par three") courses so popular in the U.S. known to us as "pitching and putting courses." Some of the coast land is to be turned into a yacht basin, a forty-roomed country club is to be built, and 300 acres are to be divided into plots of an acre or more where houses of a good standard will be erected.

ON the south side there is the Coral Harbour development, going on under a ten-year plan, during which time 17 million dollars are to be spent on a housing estate, building a yacht harbour (which is nearly complete) like the one at Fort Lauderdale, a golf course and a hotel. Farther away over at Freeport, in Great Bahama, there is a 180 million dollar scheme to build a harbour and shipyard to take in ships as big as either of the Queens. Houses are to be built here to house

20,000 people for the ship repairing and building. This is one of the biggest single projects in the British Commonwealth.

Work is well advanced on the new Windsor Airfield at Nassau with a long runway for jet aircraft, and it should be opened this summer. Over on Eleuthera Island, American Mr. Arthur Vining Davis, a remarkably vigorous personality, has just had an eighteen-hole golf course, designed by Robert Trent Jones, completed on his land. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. McGrath have lived for some years on Eleuthera, where they have a lovely home. Other landowners on this island, which looks like developing fast, include Lord Astor, Mr. Harold Christie, who have lovely stretches at Double Bay, Mr. Tim Wilkinson, vice-president of Shell Oil, the Hon. Mrs. Evans and Lord Iliffe.

LIKE the West Indies, Mexico, Spain and the South of France, the Bahamas is a great place for artists. During my stay I went to a private view of really delightful sketches, paintings and collages, done by the young American artist Gerhardt Liebmann, who is also a promising architect. This was a most successful exhibition, as I noticed several pictures sold at the private view and when I looked in two days later nearly every exhibit had the coveted little red label on the frame!

Mrs. Pauline Boumphrey, the talented sculptress, has been staying at the British Colonial, one of the best hotels, while she is negotiating to buy a house in Nassau. She has now turned her talent to painting, at which she is sure to excel as well as she did with her sculptures. Perhaps her most famous work is the statue of the late Earl Haig on his charger, which was commissioned by the late King George V for the Staff College at Camberley. She was also commissioned by the late Queen Mary to do a model of the race-horse Scuttle, which Queen Mary gave to her son, the late King, as a birthday present.

Others enjoying the sunshine and warmth of the Bahamas this winter included Lord Beaverbrook, Sir Victor Sassoon, both at their Nassau homes, Monsieur François Dupré, on his way to New York, Elie Lady Guthrie with Miss Didy Guthrie, who had a house on Cable Beach for the season, Sir Henry and Lady Price, Mr. David Bruce, the former U.S. Ambassador in Paris, and his lovely wife (a sister of Lady Ashley Clarke our Ambassador in Rome) who spent ten days at Major Herbert Holt's house, Windwhistle, which their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mellon, had before them, Mr. John Maude, Q.C., and his wife, the Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava, who flew out for a holiday, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Philips, who were down from Toronto at

their home on Cable Beach, Mr. Carlton Mitchell, the well-known American helmsman, and his wife, who were at their Blue Vista—I met them going fishing with Count Ilia Tolstoy, grandson of the great writer Alexander Tolstoy—and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaplin, from Ardmore, Pennsylvania. Mr. Chaplin is a trustee of the Academy of Natural Science in Philadelphia and an exponent of photographing fish under water. He has a wonderful aquarium at their house on Hog Island.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lucas, from Cleveland, Ohio, were entertaining guests to stay at their house on Hog Island. Among these were Mr. Chapman Rose, until recently with the U.S. Treasury in Washington, and Mrs. Rose. Lady (Roland) Robinson was expecting Mr. and Mrs. Hughesden (Florence Desmond) to stay at her home on Cable Ridge. Mrs. Hughesden came out before her husband and spent the first week with Mr. and Mrs. David Brown in the house they bought from Viscountess Kemsley. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Whitaker from Virginia, who spent several of the war years in London, were also visiting friends in Nassau.

My very happy and enjoyable trip came to an end all too quickly, and I left Nassau on the B.O.A.C. Stratocruiser Caribou on the direct flight to England, stopping only at Bermuda and Gander. Leaving around 11 a.m. we were back in London for lunch next day in spite of persistent bad weather and gales in the North Atlantic.

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FROM friends in Barbados I hear that there, too, they have had a large number of visitors. This island of the B.W.I. is making a splendid recovery from the damaging effects of the hurricane. Barbados is farther south than Nassau or Jamaica so that in mid-winter you are sure of good weather, and it is a wonderful thought to know that in February you can bathe in water that has a temperature of 80 deg. F.

Air travel to this part of the world, which is also a sterling area, is becoming more frequent, and Barbados now is less than twelve hours away from New York and bids fair to become one of the most popular playgrounds. B.O.A.C. are doubling their fleet of Viscounts, which have "caught on" with the American travelling public. The Queen's cousin, the Hon. Gerald Lascelles, is among recent visitors to Barbados, where he has some sugar plantations. The Coral Reef Club in Barbados is quite a rendezvous these days for British and American socialites. Staying there recently were Sir Harold and Lady Yarrow with their daughter Angela, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Warner of

Mrs. Carthew and Lord Brabazon of Tara

Mrs. H. Brooke and Mr. G. Ledward, R.A.

Mrs. M. J. Howlett and Miss C. E. Bunting



Sutton Place, New York—he is M.F.H. of a Long Island pack—Sir Noel and Lady Mobbs, Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers and Col. and Mrs. Fahnestock.

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I WENT in for a short while in the afternoon of private view day to see the superb exhibition of the works of Sir Alfred Munnings, K.C.V.O., P.P.R.A., which are on view in the Royal Academy Diploma Gallery of Burlington House. These range from his first work to be exhibited at the R.A. in 1899, to "Bunker II" painted at his home at Dedham last September. Quite a few of the works on view are well known, but others, which mostly belong to private owners, have seldom been seen before. It is a most stimulating exhibition.

Although Sir Alfred is known primarily as a great painter of horses, there are also many enchanting scenes of rural England. Alas, the artist himself was not present, being laid up at his home in Dedham with bad circulation. Lady Munnings, however, was there and greeting many friends who had come to see her husband's pictures.

Among those going round the galleries while I was there were Mr. Maurice Codner, Hon. Secretary of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters who has lent three of his Munnings to the exhibition, Lord Brocket and his débutante daughter, the Hon. Elizabeth Nall-Cain, the Hon. Lady Naylor-Leyland escorted by Earl Fitzwilliam, who is the owner of many fine pictures at his home in Yorkshire, Lady Illingworth, Mrs. Ronnie Johnston and Lord and Lady Mancroft.

THE Queen has lent the painting of her grandparents, King George V and Queen Mary going to Ascot, and the Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood two pictures from Harewood House—where, incidentally, I hear the trees suffered sadly in the recent gales, about five hundred, I was told, having been blown down. Viscount Astor has lent five paintings to the exhibition and others who have kindly loaned works include Major and the Hon. Mrs. Reggie Macdonald-Buchanan, who have lent six, Viscountess Camrose, Lord Fairhaven, Lord Burnham, Mr. Jack Olding and Mr. and Mrs. William Cox Wright of the U.S.A., who have kindly sent five across the Atlantic. Galleries have also been most co-operative over this Munnings exhibition and the National Gallery of Canada in Ottawa has contributed ten pictures, while there are works from the big art galleries of Preston, Southampton, Norwich, Birmingham, Leeds, Brighton, Ipswich and many others.

The Duke and Duchess of Richmond



SIR ALFRED MUNNINGS, in the exhibition of three hundred of his paintings now on show at the Royal Academy, displays the progress of his art from 1899, the year in which he exhibited at Burlington House for the first time. This exciting collection drew a very large company to the preview. Above: the Hon. Mrs. John Monson. Below: Lady Munnings and Mr. Fred Butters



Desmond O'Neill



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HARROW SCHOOL HOLDS ITS FOUNDER'S DAY

MANY parents went to Harrow-on-the-Hill for the celebration of that old and famous school's Founder's Day. The Headmaster, Dr. R. L. James, called "Bill" in the morning after which many of the boys took their parents and friends on a tour of the School. In the afternoon everybody went down to the playing fields where eleven matches of Harrow football were played between the houses of the School



*Above: R. J. M. Joseph, Westacre, J. W. Ittman, Druries, C. R. Freemantle,
The Grove, and J. A. Chisholm, Headmasters. Below: J. H. Baker and C. J.
Beresford-Jones, editor of "The Bradbeian," N. R. Johnson and N. A. S. Owen*

*C. A. Atha, head boy of Newlands and J. D. V.
Vargas, a member of the football XI*





*J. C. T. Harvey, Head of the School, and
F. E. R. Butler, his deputy*



*R. J. Blake, R. J. Hermon-Taylor, C. V. Chapman, P. D. W. Harris,
J. D. R. Chambers and J. A. N. Tregoning*



*Above: Mr. Reginald Williams and Miss
Jan Sergeant. Below: M. A. Wheen,
and Wilkinson, the School Messenger*



*Above: Mrs. Hope Gaydon, her son Peter Gaydon and Mr. Michael Roderick.
Below: Miss Patricia Coombes, Mrs. R. E. Coombes, Miss Carol Coombes
and Mr. R. E. Coombes*





Lt.-Col. Denis Purdon, the Master, and Mrs. John Darcy with Ranger



Mrs. Walter Welman and Major Reginald Birmingham

AN IRISH LAWN MEET

THE Westmeath hounds met at Rathcastle, Mullingar, where the owner, Major C. J. Traill, presented a cup to Mrs. J. Darcy, who walked the best hunting hound of the season

Mrs. John D. Ross and Mrs. E. Newman



Above: Mr. John D. Ross, Mrs. John Dolan and Mrs. Michael Murtagh. Below: Mrs. John Farrell with Col. and Mrs. J. D. Guille



THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE salmon fishing at his Irish property Careysville, near Fermoy, Co. Cork, on a very notable stretch of the River Blackwater. The Duke killed thirty-two salmon in the first six days of February, with a gross weight of 384 lb. John O'Brien (left), the Duke's ghillie, is about to gaff the fish



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ROUND TRIP TO THE PLEASURE-GROUNDS

• K. Westcott Jones •

WHATEVER your particular pleasure may be, somewhere in the world you can enjoy it in ideal surroundings and circumstances. Here, in alphabetical order, is an itinerary to suit all tastes. It may be that, studying it, you will find new ambitions stirring, the urge to try an adventurous change for your holiday—a change not only of scene but of recreation.

ANGLING—Up in Finmark and other parts of north Norway there are fast rivers where you'll throw back any salmon under forty pounds. It isn't easy to reach most of the beats where hefty salmon are so plentiful that you'll feel this way about them, but by driving your own car up the famous Arctic Highway, you can find them. Some of the rivers are free, others are controlled by associations of owners called "Elveigarlag"; still others are privately owned where it costs £80 to £100 a rod for a stretch of about 400 yards for a month's fishing. The Norway Travel Association has helpful lists of rivers and owners to guide you if you fancy fighting Europe's biggest salmon in remote surroundings.

Swedish trout waters appeal to keen anglers. The big brown trout in the Grövel River will challenge your skill from July to September.

If you happen to be in Austria with rod and line, there's a mighty fish called "Huchen"—a landlocked salmon often running to 100 lb.—to be found in the Danube and the Inn rivers. A licence from the Burgomaster of the district costs about 6s. 6d., and the season for this fighting fish is from mid-June to the end of February.

UNDERSEA DIVING—This sport is now becoming so popular off the Riviera coast that the few remaining fish are said to be forming themselves into anti-collision patrols. There are two layers of underwater traffic—the skin divers with face masks and "schnorkel" tubes flipping about with webbed feet about 90 in. below the surface, and the Aqualung people with heavy equipment on their backs searching for wrecks and shooting deep-water fish as much as 90 ft. under the sea.

Not so crowded but undoubtedly the best Mediterranean areas for this sport are Malta, the waters around the Balearic Islands, and Rhodes. Spanish equipment is cheap to buy and easy to hire. At Rhodes, hotel accommodation doesn't match the quality of the sporting pleasure as yet, but it will.

You can reach Rhodes by T.A.E. Greek Airlines planes from Athens, or by frequent steamers.

BIG GAME HUNTING—Unless you're feeling extremely rich, or in need of working off savage outbursts, this is best done with a camera these days. A trip to one of the National Game Parks of Africa is a rewarding experience. Try the Kruger Park in Eastern Transvaal, but stay inside your car. The period from May to October is the pleasantest time for a visit to this part of South Africa. Farther south, there's the Lhohluwe (pronounced "Shlowshlowey") Park where white rhinos are to be found all over the place. Here you don't have a car—just a native guide with a stick and your camera.

Outside the parks, big game is being driven more and more into a Central African belt, and safaris are increasing in cost. If you want to go after lion, reckon on spending £500 per carcass, allowing for travel, bearers, and days of searching in Northern Rhodesia, Uganda or Kenya. B.O.A.C. have seven services a week to Nairobi; fares (return): £291 12s. 1st class; £208 16s. tourist.

CLIMBING—People in most countries are content to gaze up at their mountain peaks; the British insist on climbing them for pleasure. If getting to the top of really rugged mountains appeals to you, try Iceland. There are plenty of volcanoes offering a stern challenge, and one which is a popular goal—Mount Hekla, some thirty-five miles east of Reykjavik. You can fly to Reykjavik Airport by Iceland Airways in a DC4 twice a week, via Glasgow, for £56 16s. return. The flight takes about six hours.

Warmer peaks, but equally rugged, are those in the Dolomites where the Tossa climb (10,410 ft.) is a standard classic. One great advantage of this part of Italy is that the womenfolk can stay at Venice while the men drape ropes over the mountains almost within sight.

CRUISING—The big liners are always heavily booked for the cruising season. If you prefer smaller vessels with limited passenger lists and an itinerary taking you off the beaten track, there are a number of cruises in the Bergen Line's Meteor to the North Cape, one going on to Spitzbergen and beyond—until the stem prods the Polar pack ice. This spectacular trip leaves



SAND-YACHTING at Middelkerke. This fast, exciting sport is very popular on the great stretches of beach for which the Belgian coastal resorts are celebrated

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CARIBBEAN PARADISE. This view of the private beach at Round Hill, Jamaica, with the hotel restaurant in the left background, helps to explain why the West Indies, with their superb climate and idyllic scenery, have attracted so many holidaymakers since the war

Gerry Murison

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ROUND TRIP TO PLEASURE

Bergen on July 20, and costs £85 upwards, all first class. Another unusual Meteor cruise takes in the Baltic with an eighty-one hours stop-over in Leningrad, where a rail excursion to Moscow is planned. Leaving Bergen on August 17, the Meteor is back in Harwich on September 4. Lowest cost is £124, excluding the Red Arrow train ride.

Stella Polaris, the Swedish yacht-like cruising liner, will be doing some northern waters cruising until September, when she sails for a month to many unconventional parts of the Mediterranean. At £8 to £12 a day, this "White Queen of the Seven Seas" is expensive but select and luxurious.

Two Hellenic cruises starting from Venice in the autumn are planned by Swans. Passenger lists will be carefully selected, but no Royal cocktail parties are expected in Greece.

DANCING—This is hardly likely to influence a holiday choice in a geographical way, unless you aim to go to Vienna for the Balls. But many people want resorts where quality dancing at night is part of the proceedings. Biarritz Casino, with its frequent Riding Club Balls, or Deauville in the season, are obvious selections.

Should you want to see, or even join in, folk dancing, the Hardanger district of Norway or the Austrian Tyrol are recommended.

Europe is remarkably jazz-conscious this year. Vienna has fallen victim to the cult, and the Hot Club Vienna has been attracting many visitors. Continental jazz and the "dancing" that goes with it appear to radiate from fomenting centres at Berlin and Frankfurt.

GAMBLING—Public casinos will be found in France, Belgium, Italy, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Portugal. Swiss gambling is very restricted, and Boule is the only game. You can only lose a little money there, and not too pleasantly. If you want to lose a lot in a glamorous way, those unbeatable (in more ways than one) casinos at Monte Carlo, Lido-Venice, Estoril, Bad Gastein (Austria), Knocke-le-Zoute, Westerland (on the German island of Sylt), Biarritz, Deauville, Le Touquet and San Marino will serve your purpose admirably. But, of course, you might win (I have, at two of them). To be absolutely sure of losing all the time, try and get a dollar allowance and go to Las Vegas, Nevada.



GLIDING—Soaring in thermal up-currents without a sound is the purest and most exhilarating form of flying. It can turn you into a confirmed enthusiast after one try. The Black Forest area of

Germany has some gliding clubs where visitors are welcome. For about £15 a week you can live on the site and be taught. England has several clubs, incidentally, doing the same thing, and a club run by the Scottish Gliding Union at Balado, Kinross, takes guests for £14 a week, including tuition and twenty-five flights.



GOLF—If you propose to take your clubs abroad, you can use them more or less anywhere in Western Europe, but Norway and Finland have nothing to offer. Spain has a few good courses at coastal resorts, and two first-class ones at Madrid. The best is at Sitges, just south of Barcelona, but it's only nine holes. Even tiny Luxembourg has a course these days, four miles from the capital, where two International championships are played.

One Swiss course, at Samedan, is so high they even provide oxygen at some tees. Nearly 11,000 ft. above the Engadine, Samedan is only open for two months, but it offers about the most exhilarating golf in Europe on what is the highest course outside South America.

In Italy, Sestriere has a course up in the sky where you get amazingly long drives in rarefied air; it's only about 1,000 ft. lower than Samedan.

France, Belgium, and Holland have good courses. Apart from Monte Carlo's Mont Agel there is little on the Riviera to merit taking clubs along with you, but Chiberta, near Biarritz, is a "must" for any visiting golfer. Let's face the fact, however, that no golf courses on the Continent can compare with so many in England, Scotland, and Ulster.

GOURMET - SHIP—Paris is your obvious choice, but if you've eaten your way through her temples of gastronomy, some other regions might appeal. Sweden and Denmark have developed a Scandinavian style capable of satisfying the most fastidious diners. Norway's cold tables are a sight to



see at the better tourist hotels at lunch; the higher you are in the Norwegian mountains, the better the lunches—but dinner is a sad anti-climax in that country.

For really hearty eaters, Holland combines subtlety of cooking with vast quantity. Some of the restaurants in The Hague and Amsterdam rank among the finest in the world. Should you be in Yugoslavia, all is not lost, for standards are rising; not yet on the Gastronomic Grand Tour, it has a number of revived national dishes which visiting gourmets are beginning to praise. Try the "Brodet"

(a fish dish in wine) if you go to the Dalmatian coast.

Stern laws and petty regulations can take all the pleasure out of a drink in some countries. Civilized drinking appears to be confined to the Continent of Europe, excluding Norway, Sweden and the British Isles. But Sweden has just abandoned its rigid rules. No longer are ladies allowed only half the weight of liquor that their escorts consume. In Norway, though, the "no spirits" rule is hampering tourism. The best hotels are all in the mountains and on fjords, where beer and wine only is the prospect. You can buy spirits from Monday to Friday in five or six of the towns. Remember to take a bottle into the mountains with you.

For sheer drinking pleasure, it takes a lot to beat the favourite bars of Paris and Rome, especially if you want to sit, sip, and watch the world go by. Coming along fast, though, is Lisbon, where a night out in town can be quite memorable.

LAZING IN THE SUN—You should be able to do this anywhere in the northern hemisphere during summer, but sometimes you roast and tan more quickly in the Midnight Sun beyond the seventieth parallel of latitude than at Deauville. When that doesn't happen it means a good summer, and the shadow of someone lying on either side of you stops a proportion of the tan.

For secluded lazing in guaranteed sun, think in terms of Madeira between May and October. It's the quiet season, but not nearly so hot as you may think—only eight degrees separate July and February. Hotels offer much reduced rates, and the flying boat fare is cut by £30.

Spain is trying hard to build up the reputation of two new coasts—the Costa Blanca (south of Barcelona) and the Costa del Sol (Malaga to Gibraltar). Try the former in May, or September and October; the latter in April, or from October to early December.

RACING—With horse or car? Europe is much more experienced and adept with the latter than with bloodstock. If you're abroad and want to see some horseracing, the choice is limited to France (remember the Grande Semaine in Paris in June), Italy (the Italian classic programme in Milan attracts devotees),

and Spain (where every Sunday in San Sebastian sees the best and only Spanish bloodstock out on the track).

But incredibly noisy cars roar around Grand Prix circuits throughout Europe all summer long. You'll know the main events, such as Le Mans and the Mille Miglia. Worth seeing is Austria's Alpine Rally in June, and the Tyrol Rally later in the summer. The German speed meeting for the Rhineland Cup at Hockenheim is a big attraction in May; Yugoslavia is entering the field with an Adriatic Prize in June. An easygoing rally for the average driver is the Languedoc, from London to Sete via Andorra, held in July.

SLEEPING—Surely one of the greatest pleasures in life, a good sleep on holiday, is worth having. Some people can sleep anywhere, at any time, with or without stimulants. But clean dry air at a temperature between 55 and 67 degrees, wafting through the open windows of a bedroom, provides ideal conditions for the greatest number. So you sleep like a top in the Canary Islands, except in Las Palmas or Santa Cruz (at sea level) in July, August and September. But at the Parador's high in the mountains you sleep well all summer.

If it wasn't for the strange bedcovers, Norway's eastern mountain resorts would be fine sleeping terrain from June to August.

SHOOTING—You'd do best to wait for August 12 in Scotland, for Europe doesn't measure up to the Highlands. But if you must take a gun abroad, remember that Corsica offers wonderful stalking opportunities if you want to go after wild boar. Farther south, you can shoot birds in the salt marshes of Sardinia or wild sheep in her mountains.

What about polar bears? A gentleman I met in Tromsø (named Odd Berg) operates a ketch carrying four keen hunters. He takes them to the polar ice pack and guarantees one polar bear per head. Mid-June to early September is the season, and the trip costs about £200.

SWIMMING—Whether or not this is a pleasure depends on the temperature plus your constitution. Except for parts of Britain's south coast, and the lovely bays of Jersey, swimming is a chore designed for the hardy, in this country's watering places.

Lukewarm Mediterranean water appears the best choice, but a point to note is that the Baltic warms up so much in July that some of the beaches it washes have warmer sea water than anywhere else in Europe outside the Mediterranean. Oslofjord is an example; so is the island of Gotland. But about the best spot I know is the isle of Djerba, in southern Tunisia, where the Lotus Eaters came from. Only Barbados can equal it, in my opinion.

TENNIS—Most of the leading hotels in Europe have tennis courts available for guests; notable exceptions are Greece and Norway but in these countries there are clubs admitting visitors on a temporary basis.

If you're a tennis fan from the spectator point of view, then the Italian championships in May or the French in June will interest you. French resort tournaments are well known—Le Touquet's spread of courts and the maze of them on Deauville's front attract top-line players.

THEATRE—America's popular Summer Stock theatre is not, unfortunately, copied in Europe; pierrot shows are not in the same category. Tickets to theatres and operas are included in off-peak tours arranged by SITA World Travel of New York—who have just opened a London office.

The Edinburgh Festival of Drama and Music takes the leading place in Europe, being held during late August and early September. Vienna in June is a good second. The Heidelberg Drama Festival, held in the castle, lasts from June to August and is worth noting—if your German is fluent.

Film Festivals might amuse you. They include Berlin, Cannes, and Venice-Lido (which takes place in September and is followed by a theatrical festival).

YACHTING—Smaller yachts but

more of them than ever before. That sums up the sailing situation today. Apart from Cowes, the best sailing regattas take place in Malta and the Scandinavian countries. Private yachts are exempted from duty in Malta; the population is sailing mad, and you can hire yachts or temporarily join yacht clubs in Valetta. Hanko, on Oslofjord, is Norway's best yachting centre. Sweden stages more than fifty regattas each

summer; the Stockholm archipelago in the tideless Baltic is a yachtsman's dream. In Denmark, Svendborg is a great place for the small-boat enthusiast; so is the Limfjord.

What about sand yachting? Blown along by the wind at 40 to 50 m.p.h. in a yacht on wheels is pleasurable sport on Denmark's Fano beach. You can make local arrangements to hire sand-yachts for 10s. a day. Fano Island is reached easily by ferry from Esbjerg, the terminus of the Harwich-Esbjerg steamer.



THIS list of pleasures does not claim to be exhaustive—for who shall attempt to measure the infinite variety and caprice of our ideas of entertainment?—but it does give in short space a broadly comprehensive panorama of holiday recreations, from the supremely passive to the violently active. The object has been to leave no temperament uncatered for, and to give some idea of the truly immense range of facilities which lie at the posting stages and termini of the lines and travel agencies, as well as the Magic Carpet-like means of getting there.

That is not to say the actual process of travel is nowadays guaranteed painless. There will always be a dividing line between those to whom the drum of wheels and the hum of propellers is a positive stimulus to enjoyment, and those to whom they are a tedious prologue. But thanks to the resources developed, and experience gained, by the various air, railway and steamship lines, and travel agencies heretofore mentioned, the ranks of the timid voyagers are steadily thinning and those of the adventurous increasing.

Both these classes, it is believed, will find matter for pleasant meditation and planning in the details presented here of the prospects of enjoyment at large offered to them this spring and summer.



MOTOR RACING ENTHUSIASTS find their favoured sport catered for all over Europe. Here is the magnificent sweep of the new elevated race track at Monza, Milan, which has been designed to permit the highest speeds with the maximum security for both drivers and spectators



Readers are asked to note that owing to an increase in the prices of Morris cars, the figures quoted in the advertisement on page viii, which went to press before the increase was announced, no longer apply.

A HIGHLAND REUNION

THE London Perthshire Association held its annual dinner dance at the May Fair Hotel, an occasion for many Highland Scots to forgather. Lord Forteviot, M.B.E., the president, was in the chair, and Lord McCorquodale of Newton proposed the toast to "the City and County of Perth"



Mr. David Buchan and the Hon. Caroline Dewar, daughter of Lord Forteviot



Mr. H. Hynd, M.P., and Mrs. Hynd, with the Lord Provost of Perth and Mrs. J. A. Smart



Mr. J. R. Hamilton-Brown and Miss Helen Banks were two of the guests



Mr. Robert Gilchrist and Miss Aurea MacKenzie



Lord and Lady Forteviot

Swache



Sir Albert Braithwaite and Lady Braithwaite, Appeals Committee chairman



Lord Roderic Pratt and Miss Iris Peake, Lady-in-Waiting to Princess Margaret

FOR ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

H.R.H. PRINCESS MARGARET attended the dinner dance at the Café de Paris in aid of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, of which she is C-in-C. Ambulance and Nursing Cadets. On this informal occasion black, not white, ties were worn

Major Nigel Gunnis and Mrs. Nigel Gunnis



The Hon. Mrs. Neville Berry and Mr. J. Pharantzes



Miss M. Illingworth, Mr. G. Laing, Miss S. Probart Jones and Mr. S. Maxwell



Lady Roderic Pratt and Mr. Denis Dawnay



Lord and Lady Melchett arriving at the dance



Miss E. Guy, Miss P. Tooth, Miss P. D'Erlanger and Miss F. Roberts



AN ANTARCTIC "BYSTANDER"

These early copies of *The Bystander* were found in front of Hut Point, McMurdo Sound, in the Ross Sea Dependency of the Antarctic. The Hut was erected in 1902 by Capt. R. F. Scott and used again by Sir Ernest Shackleton's expedition in 1907-9. These pages were folded and wrapped round the stub of a home made candle inside a rusted tin. The discovery, made by Capt. Richard B. Black, U.S. Navy, a member of the R.G.S., was sent to Sir Winston Churchill, who has kindly given his permission for them to be published

Roundabout

Paul Holt

PRINCE NORODOM SIHANOUK, king of Cambodia, did an odd thing the other day. He abdicated in favour of his father, Norodom Sumarit, placing the old man on the throne and himself laying on his head the crown, a magnificent affair that looks like an electric toaster, which he has worn himself since 1941.

There were great ceremonies, dominated by the priests, and the old king, dressed in cloth of gold, paraded through the streets, accompanied by his queen, on elephants. All the upper windows of the capital were barred, for it is against the law for any subject to look down on his king.

King Norodom Sumarit looked contented, in the pictures I saw, with his unexpected lot, and his queen's expression suggested that she intended to give the

palace staff a thorough good going over.

But why should the prince abdicate in favour of his father? It appears he wants to be free of all ties, both religious and ceremonial, so that he can get on with the job of being Prime Minister.

If ever there was a hint given to the Western world that the mysterious East is changing, this is it. You may not look down on a king, but you must look up to a bureaucrat.

Why, before long they'll be paying income tax.

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THE Government has decided to introduce a bill to legalize cash betting, says Mr. Deedes, Under-Secretary at the Home Office. It is an honest thing to have done, for the present

situation of street runners keeping *cave* for the cops, and the knowing man who will put you on for a fiver each way with his commission agent, is not only dishonest, it is absurd.

BUT the bookies object. They call cash betting retrograde. Said Mr. D. Summers, speaking on behalf of a joint committee of bookmakers' organizations: "If the Government want to alter off-the-course betting we would like to see horse-race betting tackled on the same lines as pool betting on football. The cash post betting is the most satisfactory system from the public's point of view, and there is no danger of creating a resort for betting."

I suspect that what is at the back of Mr. Summers's head is the fear that if the Government legalize cash betting on horses, somewhere, somehow, the bogey of



The County Handicap Hurdle Race with Capt. E. J. Edwards-Heathcote's Prince Stephen (15), J. Burton up, who finished second



Limber Hill, winner of the Gold Cup, his trainer Mr. W. Dutton, and owner Mr. J. Cavey



Miss R. Norrie, Mr. O. Waller and Mrs. A. Warre



Miss Ailsa Smith-Maxwell and Miss Eugene Coivell



Prince Vsevolode of Russia and Countess Berchtold

The Hon. Robin and Mrs. Cayzer

The Hon. George Bathurst and Miss E. Hoyer Millar

Brig. and Mrs. Hugh Leveson Gower



At the Theatre

THE DOGS DO BARK

Anthony Cookman

Illustrations by Emmwood

DOCTOR JOHNSON was much concerned lest *The Beggar's Opera* that he knew, with "its labefaction of all principles," might be injurious to public morality. It is beyond conjecture what he would have thought of the ballad-opera's perversion by Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill.

The whole point of these angry men of the late twenties was that morality, as the world practises it, is "bunk." There is no difference between crime and social justice: both follow the same dishonourably crooked code.

In Nigel Playfair's revival which had delighted easy-going London a few years earlier, the eighteenth-century frolic was turned into a kind of Gilbertian fantasy with charming music and mockingly sentimental lyrics to relieve the sordid milieu. The Germans adopted an altogether different method. Weill matched the sordid milieu with sultry, erotic melodies in the jazz idiom then identified with an unhealthy neuroticism. Brecht wrote lyrics with a savagely cutting edge and set the characters down in Soho at the turn of the century.

The supposed Soho underworld was instantly recognized as a picture of the vicious cesspool of contemporary Berlin, and Berliners were shamed and outraged by a horribly exact reflection of their own bitter, life-hating condition. It has taken a long time for this European scandal-maker to reach London, but as *The Threepenny Opera* it has caught up with us at last, has caught on and is transferring from the Royal Court to the Aldwych.

It is inevitable that some of the pungent bite and precision of the German original should have been lost. Collectively the company is not a very strong one, but Mr. Sam Wanamaker directs with an instructive sense of Continental cabaret style and he is well served by his principals. The Peachum of Mr. Eric Pohlmann is a fine piece of character acting, an unctuous rogue as much larger than life and as exact in detail as a Pelligrini cartoon.

Miss Daphne Anderson, though not all that her father's daughter ought to be, is a pleasing Polly Peachum, and Miss Georgia Brown as "t'other dear charmer" is as unrestrained in her pouting sensuality as Brecht meant her to be. But among the women Mlle. Maria Remusat carries off the honours with a bravura display of venomous allure.

Her singing of "Pirate Jenny" carries all the overtones of a paid woman's vengeful, destructive dreams.

Mr. Bill Owen puts a bold face on a part for which he is miscast. He is



"THE THREEPENNY OPERA" (Aldwych Theatre) deals largely with fin-de-siècle gangsterism in Soho. Above, Macheath (Bill Owen) smartens up his henchman, Readymoney Matt (George Murcell). Below, the Peachum family: mother (Lisa Lee), father (Eric Pohlmann) and daughter Polly (Daphne Anderson)

delightfully debonair, but he is not big enough to suggest the swagger and easy gaiety of a Macheath. It is the music, played by a band housed in a stand at the back of the stage, that creates the atmosphere of a great city in a state of shameless anarchy.

Still, there are good reasons, theatrical as well as musical, for the success of *The Threepenny Opera*, but apart from these what, I wonder, is the real nature of its attraction for us? Some believe that the cultural isolation of the London theatre from European ideas is at long last breaking up.

By isolation they mean usually that the plays we have always taken seriously are those which assume that all human and social problems appear capable of solution if only man and society would learn to use their common sense. This comfortable assumption is one which Europe between the wars more or less abandoned. In plays which we were apt to dismiss as crazy, half-baked efforts to be different, European playwrights increasingly inclined to the nihilistic view that morals are in the melting pot and that neither man nor society will ever learn to be reasonable.

Are such plays beginning to acquire a belated topicality for us; or are audiences taking *The Threepenny Opera* historically, as a satire which in its day shocked Europe but now may be studied with detached amusement as a period piece?





Armstrong Jones

AN ARISTOCRAT OF LIGHT COMEDY

MARJORIE FIELDING is one of those rare actresses whose force of personality, ability, and air of distinction can lift even an indifferent play out of the doldrums. In *Tabitha*, the first-rate mystery-comedy at the Duchess Theatre, she is able to use to the full her faultless timing and ironic, often biting, sense of comedy. She plays one of three old ladies who are suspected of a murder, her able supporters in crime being Christine Silver and Janet Barrow



Capt. T. de C. Luckham, Royal Hampshire Regiment, and Miss Jill Clarenbone



Miss Caroline Trigg and Mr. Barry Swindell

CANFORDIANS REUNION BALL

OVER two hundred Old Canfordians came from all parts of the country, braving icy roads, to be present at their annual ball, which was held at the King's Head Hotel, Wimborne, Dorset



Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Noscoe. The ball preludes the Hockey Festival



Mrs. W. McBride, Mr. W. N. McBride and Mrs. H. Campbell



*Miss Marigold Austen and Mr. Victor Yorke
Geoffrey Huntley-Lott*



RITA GAM

RITA GAM plays Cosima, second wife of Richard Wagner, in the film of the composer's life *Magic Fire*, that has a Royal Première at the Gaumont, Haymarket, on April 19, which will be attended by T.R.H. the Duchess of Kent and Princess Alexandra.

Miss Gam will be in Monaco where she is to be one of the bridesmaids to Grace Kelly when she marries Prince Rainier on April 18 and 19. She is an old friend of Miss Kelly's, having met her first when they were both appearing in television, after which they shared an apartment together in Hollywood.

Rita Gam was a well-established stage and television star

before she began a career in films. She has appeared in many successful Broadway productions and made her stage début in *A Flag Is Born* in which Marlon Brando made one of his earliest successes. She is twenty-six and was born in Pittsburgh and was always intent upon a theatrical career. Among the films in which she has appeared are *Saadia*, *Night People*, *Sign Of The Pagan*, and *The Thief* with Ray Milland, a unique silent production made only a few years ago in which she made a great impression.

Magic Fire, the première of which will be in aid of the Family Welfare Association, has the English actor Alan Badel in the part of the composer, Richard Wagner, while other leading rôles are taken by Yvonne de Carlo, as Wagner's first wife, Valentina Cortesa and Peter Cushing. The film with its unusually international cast is in Trucolor.



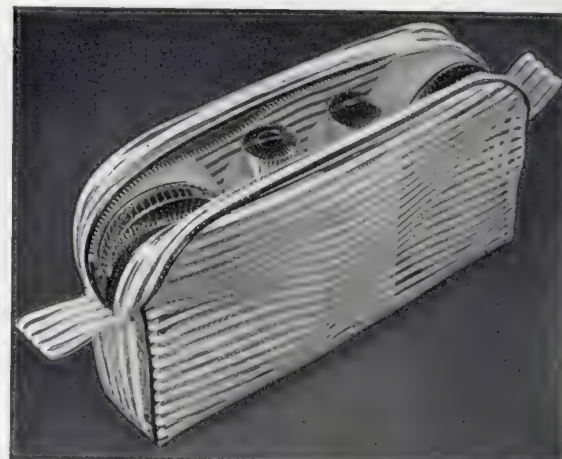
Above: Travelling coach hide "Liberty" bag with out-size zip pocket and adjustable straps. Price £9 15s. from Finnigans. Below: Capacious duffle bag in brown nylon, trimmed with coach hide. Price £7 from Finnigans



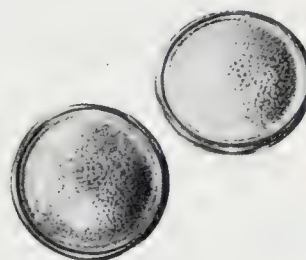
Italian natural hide travel bag stitched with white. Price £14 3s. 6d. Hogskin gloves, price £1 15s. From Woollands

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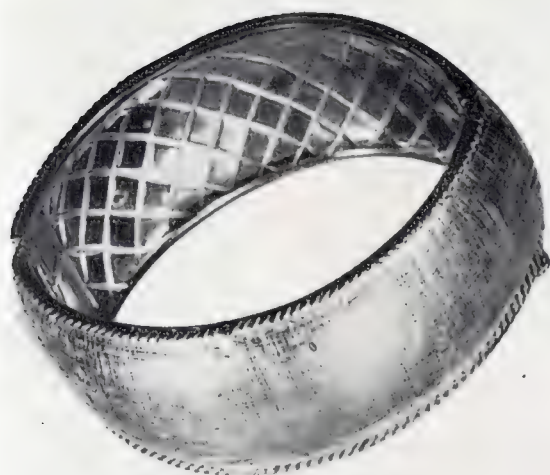


Below: Toilet bag, containing 3 jars and 2 bottles. Yellow, red or white stripes, price 16s. 9d. Above: Travel set of two jars and two bottles. Red, green or white stripes, price 13s. 9d. These are also from Woollands



POISED FOR FLIGHT

THIS air-age traveller displays judgment and a fine sense of style in her outfit, all of which comes from Harrods. The overcoat costs 55 gns., and the woollen suit 22 gns. The suit coat has a double split peplum hemline forming flap pockets, soft dressmaker collar and set-in sleeves, and the skirt is straight. The yellow velvet beret costs £4 19s. 6d., silk neck scarf £1 7s. 6d., sage green court shoes £5 9s. 11d., sage pochette handbag £4 9s. 6d. The luggage is in white Luxan hide and the jewellery consists of gilt and gold ear-rings, £1 9s. 6d., circular gilt cluster brooch, £1 9s. 6d., and gilt bracelet, £5 19s. 6d.







John French

THE TEN GOOD TRAVELLERS

First, the overcoat, perfect partner to any or all of the other nine. Spectator Sports' white lightweight woollen coat, square double-breasted, with soft wing collar and deep-set-in sleeves. Back centre unpressed pleat hanging from shoulders. White pillbox hat with navy swathing by D. Carlton. 16 gns. from Rocha of Grafton St.

Classic suit with a difference (above, left) from Jacqmar's Town and Country Collection. Dark grey wool piped with a lighter grey outlining. Buttoned, banded pockets and revers. Approximately 29 gns. at Dickins and Jones. Hat by Gina Davies

Grey and white open weave French cotton-rayon mixture suit by Deréta (above, right), with wide white piqué collar. Full unpressed pleated skirt. Hat again by Gina Davies

The Ten Good Travellers

TOWN CRUISE BEFORE MIGRATION SOUTH

Fine white jersey dress (left) by Spectator Sports, with the new unbelted high waistline and gathered bust. Half button through and threequarter sleeves. Rocha, Grafton St., 12 gns. Paisley pillbox hat by D. Carlton

Poplin pink strap square top dress by Fredrica (below, left) with raglan sleeved battledress jacket and a straight skirt. Adrian, Regent Street, approximately 6½ gns.

Dorville's pink linen sleeveless drawstring dress with pink satin bow (below, right). Eve Valere, Knightsbridge. About 9½ gns.

Opposite page, Marcus's white flannel dress with a fine black stripe. Button through with high outlined waistline and three-quarter sleeves, and straight skirt. Approximately 19 gns. Harvey Nichols have it







John French



The Ten Good Travellers

DRESSED FOR THE MIDI'S GAIETIES

Above, left. Horrockses white poplin short young evening dress striped with a golden tan line. Full skirt, unpressed pleats, strapless top. Tailored bow in gold satin. Short self-stole. Chenelle, Knightsbridge, will have it in April

Pale blue and white printed cotton dress (above, right) by Dorville, with décolleté chemise top. Waisted and bell skirted with stiff underskirt. About 6 gns. In stock at Robell, Baker Street, and Vogue, Cambridge

Polly Peck's light blue and white full skirted printed evening dress (right) emphasises the low line. Diaphanous chiffon short sleeved evening coat. Fenwicks. Dress 8½ gns, coat £4 17s. 6d.





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Above: Coty's new two-in-one cylinder that dispenses talc from one end with a sprinkler top, and luxurious bath salts from the other. Ideal for travelling, price 8s. 9d. Right: The new Yardley lipstick shown in its case with quick-change refill, also the refill by itself, very simple to insert



Dennis Smith

GOODBYE TO "IMPEDIMENTA"

• Jean Cleland •

RECENT news of a man flying round the world in ninety-two hours twenty minutes made me feel dazed and dizzy. What, I wonder, would our forebears, for whom a journey from England to Scotland was quite an undertaking, have thought of it?

Times certainly have changed, and not the least difference is the way in which we travel. The kind of luggage we take would not be recognized as such by our ancestors, and many ingenious things have been invented to make for light weight and easy packing.

"Travelling light" in the old days was only possible for something like a walking tour, when one set off with no more than a rucksack on one's back. For more formal journeys, one went weighed down with the sort of luggage that called for a bevy of porters all along the route. Cases that, with their heavy fittings, felt like lead before even so much as a nightdress or a pair of stockings had been put into them, and other paraphernalia, all of which weighed like a ton. With a fine sense of poetic justice these formidable coffers were called "impedimenta."

NOT the least worry for the harassed traveller was the fear of arriving at journey's end to find on unpacking that things had leaked or spilled on to various garments. This frequently happened, owing to the fact that apart from a few heavy screw-top bottles among the fittings, one had to improvise with makeshift containers, which at their best were very far from foolproof.

Goodbye to all that. The facilities for safe, easy and elegant packing are now endless. Cases of every type and size abound, from the lavish and costly to the modest and inexpensive. I have been going the rounds of the beauty salons and the stores, and have been fascinated by the variety of things from which to choose.

You can go to your favourite salon and get a beautiful case already filled with the preparations designed for the regular daily routine. If you prefer to take your own particular choice of preparations, you can get cases fitted with empty jars and bottles, all waiting to be filled. Some lovely and more elaborate affairs I have seen have special compartments for jewels in

addition to this, and what is called a wet pack, which is a special waterproof compartment to take face flannel, toothbrush and other amenities. There is room too for overnight things, so that with a case such as this you have everything ready to hand.

Much less in price, and very light in weight, are the little fitted toilet bags which, with compartments for jars and bottles, still leave room for the bathroom requisites. Some of these even have separate pockets for bedroom slippers which fold up so flat that you would scarcely know they are there.

Let us suppose that you are already in possession of these charming and convenient travel cases; you still need oddments and extras in the way of jars and bottles to hold powder, scent and cosmetics. For you then there are spill-proof powder boxes in which you can take, with complete safety, the extra shades of powder so necessary to a holiday that is to be spent in the sun, when you need a darker shade for the day and a lighter shade for evening.

Hand lotions can be bought in light screw-top polythene bottles, and you can have deodorants in cream form, or in the shape of a little stick that merely smears on like frozen perfumes.

As for scents, these are easy. For the journey, there are various perfumes in solid form, or if you prefer liquids, there are excellent little non-spill bottles specially made to carry in the handbag. Lovely hair sprays for keeping the hair in place, and delicately perfumed at the same

time, come in non-spill screwtop bottles.

Coty's make a charming and very useful contribution towards economy of space, with an entirely new bath luxury pack. This has talcum powder in one end and bath salts in the other.

Most smart women like to take various shades of lipstick to tone with different dresses when they are going away, or indeed for all occasions. Yardley's have made this easy with a new quick-change lipstick. The initial combination has lipstick and refill packed in a box, for 7s. 10d. Separately you can buy as many refills in different shades as you like. These are contained in a complete case, all ready for insertion. All you have to do is to take out one and pop in another. No messiness or trouble. The change-over is a matter of seconds, and the refills cost only 4s. 10d.





CARS BEING LOADED aboard Silver City's Bristol aircraft on the cross-Channel ferry route. In the past three years they have transported over 100,000 cars, more than 365,000 passengers, and made nearly 57,000 crossings



Motoring

Oliver Stewart

TAKING THE CAR ABROAD

AN awful warning to the dilatory is contained in the annually growing totals of the numbers of motor cars taken abroad. As the weather brightens, so the pressure on the sea and air ferry services increases and it becomes more and more difficult to book a passage. So the first thing to note is that the booking should be made just as soon as the date of departure can be fixed. If something happens afterwards to force a postponement, most of the ferry organizations will refund the fees less a reduction for clerical expenses provided "reasonable notice" is given.

Let me first generalize about taking the car to the Continent and I may then refer to one or two particular services of which I have had experience. A good deal has been done to smooth the way of the motorist since the war. There are no visas to bother about for most of the good touring countries, and the car allowance has gone up to £35 in addition to the £100 personal allowance. A current British driving licence, car log book and insurance certificate are accepted in France, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy.

BUT although it is good to know that it is possible to take the car abroad without being a member either of the R.A.C. or the A.A., and without calling upon either for help, most people use them. So doing they find that the whole process of documentation and Customs clearance falls into a well-established routine. The driver is shepherd through the formalities, and provided one precaution is taken there are hardly any checks or worries. The precaution is the simple one of finding out beforehand where the car's chassis and engine numbers are marked. The Customs officer will almost certainly want to see these for himself, yet the number of drivers who know where they are appears to be remarkably small.

There is no compulsion on the driver in France to use yellow head-

light beams; but if the stay is to be prolonged and if much driving at night is to be done, I recommend the application of the yellow paper discs which the motoring organizations usually supply with their book of words for the tour. No sensible person will start driving on the Continent without familiarizing himself with the rules.

Only one rule is likely to cause doubt and that is the French priority rule. In the United Kingdom there is no priority rule, so that a car on your left-hand side is in the same relation to you for giving way as a car on your right-hand side. In France, however, you must give way to the car on your right-hand side. The logic of this arrangement can be understood if one looks upon it merely as an extension of the main rule: Keep to the right.

IF a car is turning to the right in France, it can keep to the right all the time. It is therefore assumed to have priority. The significance for the British driver is that a vehicle may suddenly come out of a turning on the right-hand side and it will be for him to yield right of way to it. He must be ready to brake and to give way.

For the rest, driving on the Continent is much the same as driving in England. On the whole there is less traffic congestion and the motorist is regarded with a more favourable eye. There is no transport monopoly gunning for him and trying to throw him off the roads; there are no "authorized parking attendants" soaking him for tips every time he stops; the police would rather help him than hinder him. And there are the wonderful touring roads, through open country. And there is always our old friend the Michelin Guide.

In dealing with the ways of taking the car abroad I shall leave the quickest way until the last, for the Silver City ferries are so much sought after and so well known that they do not need much comment.

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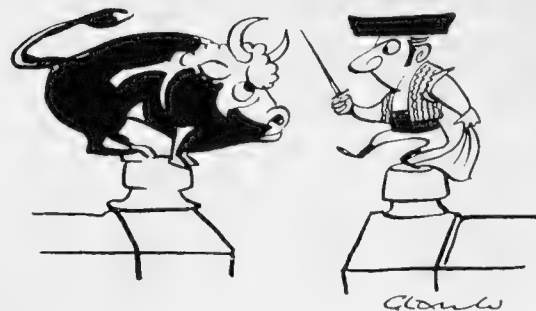
CHANNEL GATE. Cars line up (above) on the approach gantry of the cross-Channel terminus at Dover, which is seen in detail from the air on the right





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Motoring [Continuing from page 521]

Let us suppose that cost is important. Then I would recommend my favourite ferry, the Townsend. The 1,500-ton Halladale is highly efficient. One drives on at the new Dover dock and one drives off at Calais. In the ship there is a pleasant little restaurant and the crew are always helpful.

The Townsend tariff is economical. A very small car is carried for £3; this being the single fare. The return fare is double. For every passenger there is a charge of £1 16s., with a lower rate for children. For a very large car—that is something over 16 ft. overall—the charge is £10 10s. A private cabin, which is useful if any writing must be done during the voyage, costs 15s.

Then there is the British Railways Lord Warden on the Dover-Boulogne route. The rates are about the same. I should mention that the figures I have quoted are at the owner's risk. At the company's risk they are increased by twenty to thirty shillings. If the passenger steamer services are used the rates are higher, ranging from £6 10s. to £17, again at the owner's risk.

The choice of routes by British Railways is extensive. There are Folkestone-Calais; Newhaven-Dieppe; Southampton-Havre; Dover-Ostend; Harwich-Antwerp; Harwich-Hook of Holland; and Tilbury-Rotterdam, as well as the Newcastle and the Channel Islands routes.

As for the air services by Silver City, I am naturally prejudiced in their favour. It is not only that they give greater speed on the journey; but the experience of most of those who use them is that, as the Customs people are less heavily loaded, so the examinations are more expeditious.

AN important feature of both the air and the main sea ferries is the handling of the vehicles at the start and the finish of the journey. The owner drives on to the ship, but it is usual for the final manoeuvring of the car into the position in which it must remain during the voyage to be done by one of the company's staff. For the air ferry the manoeuvring into position, up the ramp and into the aircraft, is a matter requiring intimate knowledge of the aircraft hold.

There is one other thing to note. In some instances fares and conditions have been altered during the past year, so the latest tariffs should be obtained. The figures I have given are for the present year.

Finally, I must repeat what I said at the beginning, that it is possible to take the car abroad—it is especially easy if the country to be visited is France or Belgium—without calling upon the motoring organizations. But those organizations do smooth the way and enable the owner to avoid having to spend hours reading official documents. As these documents are usually badly set out and badly worded, they waste time and cause annoyance. Those who go to the motoring organizations go the easier way.



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Zichy (Baron Studios)



Miss Mary Margaret Lenanton, only daughter of the late Mr. Harold Lenanton and Mrs. Lenanton, of South Lodge, Claremont, Esher, Surrey, is engaged to Mr. Stanislas de Schwarzburg-Gunther, son of Mr. L. de Schwarzburg-Gunther, former Polish Ambassador to Greece

Lenare

Miss Sylvia Bridget Russell-Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Russell-Smith, of Grovefield House, Burnham, Bucks, is to marry Mr. Malcolm McGrady, younger son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McGrady, of Broughty Ferry, Dundee



Paul Tanqueray



Hartlip

Miss Evelyn Clodagh Robertson, younger daughter of Mr. J. B. Robertson, of Romford, Essex, and Mrs. R. V. Lea, of Ipoh, Perak, Malaya, is engaged to Capt. Hugh Philip Champion de Crespigny, eldest son of Air Vice-Marshal H. V. Champion de Crespigny, of Natal, South Africa, and of Mrs. C. de Crespigny, of London

THEY WERE MARRIED

Talbot-Ponsonby—Gibson. Mr. Michael Talbot-Ponsonby, eldest son of Col. J. A. Talbot-Ponsonby, of Husband's Bosworth, near Rugby, and Mrs. Talbot-Ponsonby, of London, married Miss Judith Katherine Gibson, daughter of Mrs. Gibson, of Winchester, at St. Martins-in-the-Veldt, Johannesburg. Shaking hands with the bride is Sir Ian Fraser, C.H., M.P.



Pepper—Whitcombe. Mr. John David Pepper, younger son of Brig. E. C. Pepper, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.L., and Mrs. Pepper, of Fircone Cottage, Linkside, Hindhead, was married to Miss Susan Jane Whitcombe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Whitcombe, of Nairobi, at All Saints' Cathedral, Nairobi

Miles—Buxton. Mr. Christopher Richard Miles, elder son of Major and Mrs. W. H. Miles, of North Park Farm, Godstone, Surrey, was married to Miss Jean Mary Buxton, second daughter of Major Anthony Buxton and the late Mrs. Buxton, of Horsey Hall, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, at St. Mary's Church, Yarmouth



Brayne-Nicholls—Newton. Major Neville Brayne-Nicholls, of the Royal Horse Guards ("The Blues"), son of Dr. and Mrs. Brayne-Nicholls, of Salcombe, South Devon, was married to Miss Wendy Newton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Newton, of Weybridge, Surrey, at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge

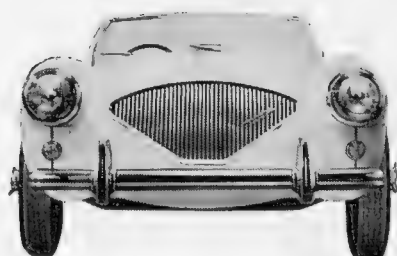


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AT MERIBEL-LES-ALLUES, in Savoy, a cocktail party was given at the chalet "Les Campanules" by the S.C.G.B. representative, M. Michael Serraillier, who is shown (left) with three of his guests from Britain, Lord Napier, Miss Patricia Bowes-Lyon and Mr. Billie Ropner

An epicure "goes local"

THE time is rapidly approaching when all the plans for holidays that people have been making in the winter will be put into effect, and there will be a vast amount of travelling in all directions.

Many people will go to France, possibly on the Air France "Epicurean" where you can wine and dine as an epicure should. Some may take their cars over on the Townsend Car Ferry to Calais. This is still an independent company and the captain and his crew are a very friendly crowd. The food is plain but good and the wines quite adequate.

Maybe you will fly your car over by air charter from Southend to Calais, or by Silver City from Lydd to Le Touquet. You don't have to worry about meals on these lines as they only take about two seconds to get you over, but there is sustenance at the terminals.

Possibly you're fed up with the football pools and want to try your luck at Monte Carlo. B.E.A. will take you to Nice and the rest is easy, whether it's to the Hotel Metropol, which is a Gordon Hotel where you will be greeted with delight by Albert Scheck, the manager, or to the Hotel de Paris, where the *maître chef de cuisine*, M. Frezouls, will tell you of his latest creations.

WHEN travelling in France or anywhere else, the great thing is to seize the opportunity to enjoy the local wines and food, many of which are unobtainable in England, especially wine. Sole, salmon, oysters in season, are offered to you everywhere, so are the great château wines of Bordeaux and the well-known Hocks, Moselles and Burgundies, but there are countless very charming wines which you will never enjoy except where they are born. They may be bad travellers, or made in such small quantities that it would be commercially impossible to export them.

There are wines from Touraine, Anjou, Vallée de la Loire, Franche-Comté, Arbois, glacier wines from Valais where the Rhone comes down from the glaciers, and the red wines of Côte Rôtie where the quantity is so small they are difficult to buy. This could indeed go on indefinitely.

Possibly you will be going much farther afield by B.O.A.C. to the States, and if you touch down at Shannon don't forget to fortify yourself for the next part of the flight with some "Irish Coffee" which is becoming extremely popular especially with our friends in America.

This is the way it should be made. Take a 7 or 8 ounce goblet, warm it up, tip in a measure of John Jameson, or any other first-class Irish whiskey (a double measure makes it one better), put in two teaspoonsful of sugar, fill it up to within half an inch of the top with strong black coffee and stir it until the sugar has dissolved. Then top up to the brim with pure chilled whipped cream. This will float on the top; don't stir any more. The trick is to drink the hot and well laced coffee through the cream, and it's a heart-warming beverage.

You may, of course, find yourself travelling by the Belgian world airlines, Sabena, who, I believe, are the only airlines to offer transatlantic passengers an *à la carte* menu. As an example, on one flight when the *hors d'oeuvres* was being served, passengers had a choice of such delights as *Petit Château Clamart-Pommes Fondantes*, *Steak de Veau Argenteuil-Pommes Parisiennes* or *Poularde au Calvados-Pommes Noisettes*, followed by *Parfait Hawaïen* and *Corbeille de Fruits*. They have an excellent wine list and all is contentment.



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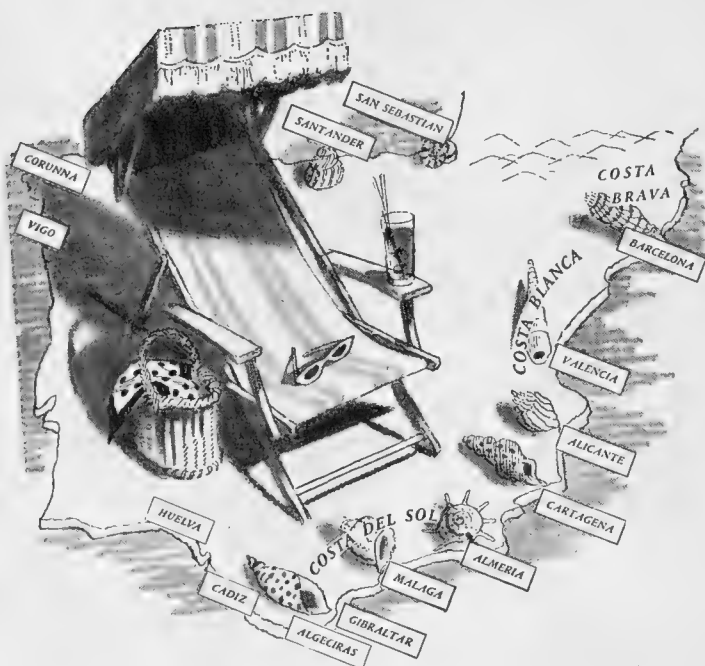
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WILLIAM TRUE, *maître chef de cuisine* of the Imperial Hotel, Torquay, appraises a fresh consignment of the lobsters for which Torbay has always been celebrated



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An epicure "goes local"

Lots of people will be going to Switzerland by car, train and plane. If you fly by Swissair, the "Super Swiss" to Zürich provides outstanding Swiss cuisine, champagne and liqueurs. Don't forget when you get there to try as many of the special cheese dishes as possible, such as *fondue*, or better still, *rachette*. There is another great speciality, *cappetto*, which is a young goat or kid. Stick to Swiss wines—very few are available in England—the whites being particularly gay and refreshing. One of the best Swiss reds is Pinot Noir from Dôle in the Rhone Valley, and Neuchâtel is a very good dry white.

Possibly you will go to Yugoslavia, a country of great charm and of considerable interest. Once again stick to the locals, such as the red and whites of Slovenia, the most expensive of which cost only 330 dinar a bottle, which is about 7s. 6d., and there are many much cheaper. If you are in Croatia try some of their wines such as "Grk" or "Vugave," which you can buy for the equivalent of a little over 3s. per bottle.

It is important to remember that you don't have to leave the British Isles at all. You can fly to ever popular Jersey in well under two hours, possibly to the Water's Edge Hotel in Bouley Bay, which happens to be the nearest hotel to France in the British Isles. It has other advantages, such as a beautiful position away from the usual crowds, and was chosen for filming *Seagulls Over Sorrento*.

The chefs and kitchen staff are Italian which ensures an authentic Continental cuisine, with some fine local produce such as lobsters and fish caught in the bay and served on the same day, locally bred chickens, local vegetables and so on. They also have a shellfish known as "ormer" peculiar to the Channel Islands which can be cooked in many ways and bears some resemblance to the local clam in parts of the U.S.A.

Other attractions are a very reasonable wine list—Pouilly Fuissé '47 at 17s. 6d., Clos de Conté '49, 16s. 6d.; Krug (Private Cuvée) '47, 35s.; Charles Heidsieck '47, 35s.; sherries in the bar, 1s. 6d.; gin (Booth's and Gordon's), 1s. 3d.; whisky 1s. 9d. and twenty Players, 1s. 7d. It is open from the end of March to October, the manager, J. L. McQuaigue, apparently spending the winter enlarging the hotel, as it appears to be spreading itself sideways and upwards every year.

It is also well to remember that you can live in comfort and have a fine time without crossing any water whatever. There are many fine hotels in England and some in Scotland where the comfort, service and cuisine are equal to the best—and remember that your travelling expenses are a minor item.

If it's South for Sunshine you want, with the atmosphere of the Riviera in very much the same setting and with every possible comfort, there is the Imperial Hotel at Torquay. A. H. Chapman who has directed the hotel since 1939, and who was trained at the Berkeley, Claridge's and the Savoy, as well as several well-known hotels on the Continent, set out to build it up as "*The English Hotel in the Mediterranean manner*." He has succeeded. His head chef, of great experience, is William True, well supported by three Swiss and three English *chefs de brigade*. They provide, apart from the *table d'hôte* and *à la carte* menus, both of which give you a wide choice, anything you may require, and the head waiter, Stanley Ardis, and his three assistant head waiters, will see it arrives at your table in a fit and proper manner.

There are also available some very fine native foods such as Torbay lobster, Cornish crab patties, Brixham scallops, roast Exmoor baby lamb, blue bilberry pie with clotted cream; it makes one's mouth water. Which reminds me that the wine list is what you would expect, and beautifully produced, a fine selection from the good bourgeois to the aristocrats.

—I. Bickerstaff

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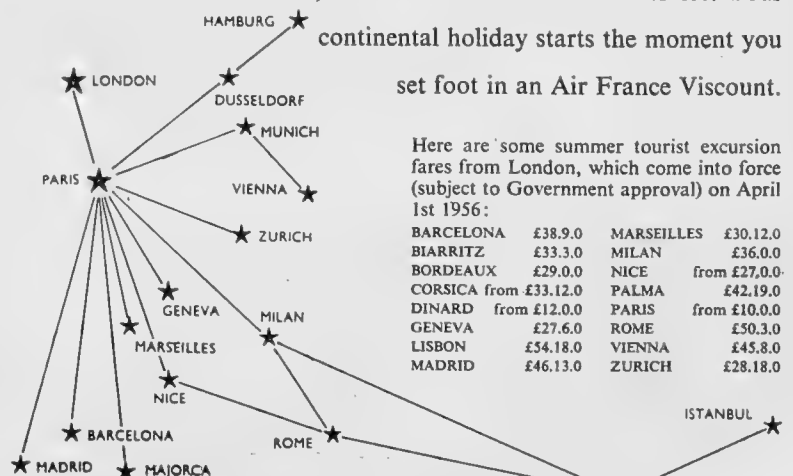
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If, however, one gets only the name of the dish, one can, on returning home, either look up the recipe or write to people like myself. We folk who spend more of our waking hours than you would dream of thinking about food, reading old and new cookery books, experimenting with dishes and trying out recipes, are usually in a position to help. Even if we ourselves do not know the dish, it is more than likely that we know someone—probably a chef from the region of its origin—who can give us the recipe. Talented cooks do not even need a recipe because, in most cases, they can work out the dish for themselves and, by their palates, discover any "secrets" it may hold.

IN a little village in Normandy, a retired chef friend gave me the Cream of Tomato Soup which has superseded all my other recipes. Here it is, and you do not need to be too exact regarding quantities:

Chop 4 to 5 fair-sized floury-type potatoes, 2 shallots and a small onion. Put them into a soup pot with a couple of walnuts of butter and shake over a low heat to coat the vegetables with the fat. Work in a good teaspoon of flour and 2 tablespoons of tubed tomato purée, then add $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. chopped tomatoes, 1 to 2 lumps of sugar, a *bouquet garni* and a small tablet of chicken consommé. Cover with a quart of hot water and season to taste. If you have some chicken or veal stock, use it instead of the water and cube of consommé.

Cover tightly, then simmer for 1 to 1½ hours. Sieve the soup and return it to the pan. If it is too thick, thin it down with water. Bring to the boil. Lastly, stir into the soup 3 to 4 (or more) tablespoons of double cream and, without further boiling, it is ready to serve. There is no fear of its separating.

I like the soup to be slightly streaked with the cream so, after blending in most of it, I barely stir in the remainder.

In a little restaurant in Paris, La Fontaine Gaillon—long before it became fashionable—my first order was always a veal chop, smothered with tiny mushrooms. First, the chop was beaten, then slowly cooked, uncovered (so as not to toughen the meat) in butter to a golden tone. It was then covered with the tiniest mushrooms, barely cooked in the butter. Both chop and mushrooms were had veal chops *à la crème*. The chops were cooked in butter, so slowly as to be barely coloured, then transferred to a heated entrée dish. The mushrooms were cooked in the same pan, in butter, a little dry white wine and two tablespoons or so of double cream. The residue in the pan was rubbed into the wine and cream with a wooden spoon (in those days, one could see the chef at work) and the mixture, boiling hot, was poured over the chops.

WE were allowed that year only £25 each for a Continental holiday, and stayed at a "hotel" in Brittany (here, we would call it a boarding-house), where Madame did the cooking. Her *Hachis Parmentier* was a dream of a Shepherd's Pie, because she had taken the trouble to moisten the well-seasoned cold minced beef with good gravy and the topping, instead of being thick dry mashed potatoes, was a purée of potatoes moistened with good stock.

Here is how she made gigot of lamb, Bretonne style: first, the washed beans—haricot type, but rounder and, when cooked, slightly larger than ours—were soaked overnight, then drained and covered with cold water. A halved onion and a *bouquet garni* were added, then the beans were slowly cooked for 2 hours or until just soft, being seasoned after an hour's cooking.

She cut 2 cloves of garlic into strips and inserted some of them into the joint next the bone and others into small slits in the meat. The surface of the lamb was then rubbed with pepper and salt and the gigot was roasted until the outside was golden but the inside still pink. After pouring off excess fat, she added a chopped skinned and deseeded tomato to the roasting tin and cooked it for a few minutes, rubbing off the residue. Then she added the drained beans and turned them over and over to coat them with the delicious "essence." She seasoned them further. With this dish, she served tiny boiled potatoes, turned in butter and sprinkled with chopped parsley. What better food could one have?

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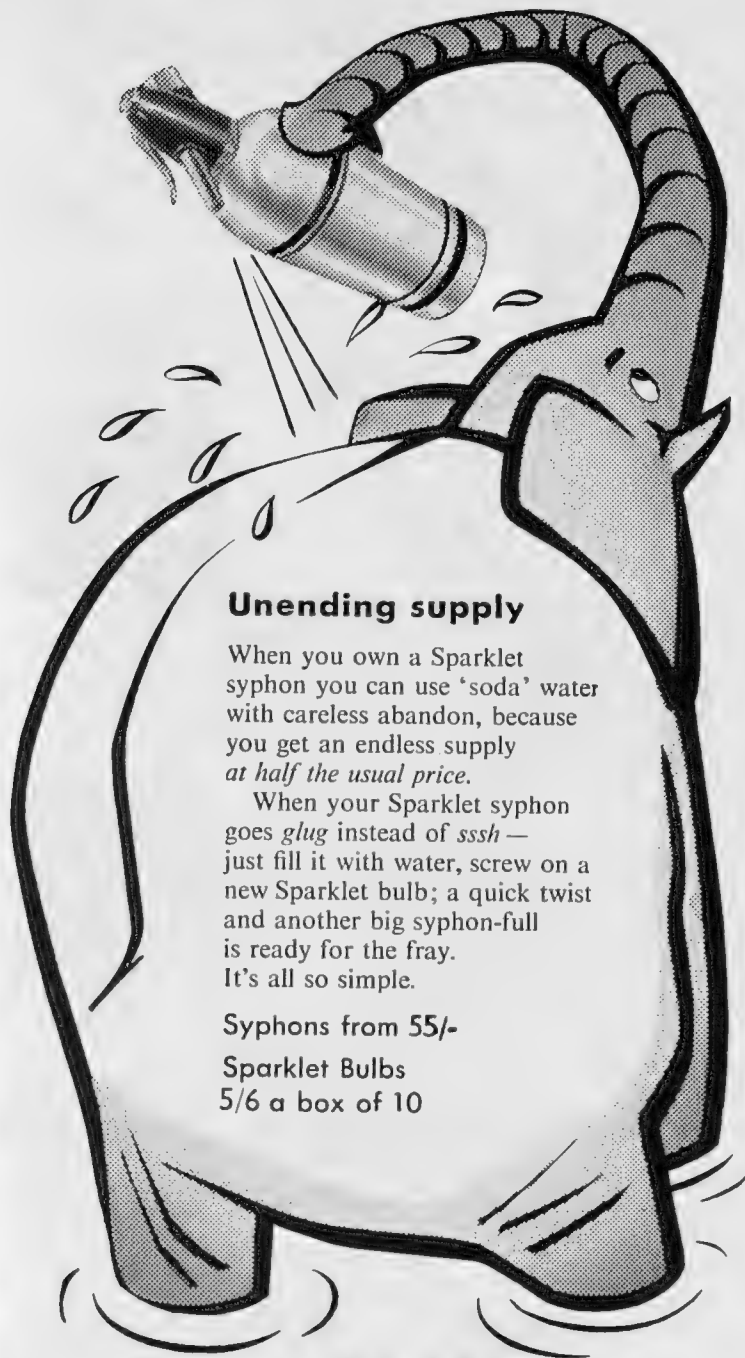
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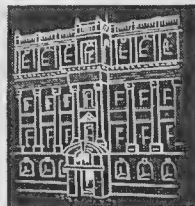
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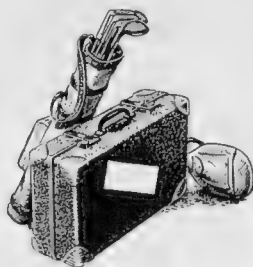
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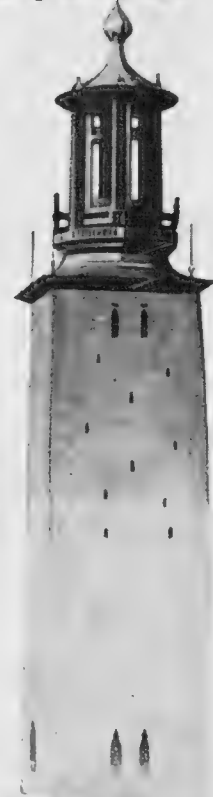
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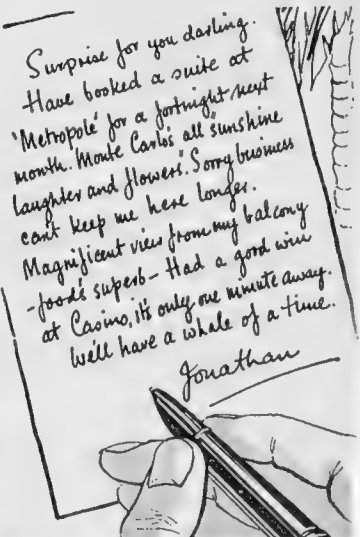
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Michael Dunne

*Once a pirate's lair,
now a haunt of friendliness*

LIGURIAN HARBOUR

PORTO VENERE, the *Portus Veneris* of the ancients, was for centuries a hideout for the corsairs who preyed along the Ligurian coastline. Today, however, the tall, crumbling houses along its waterfront are the homes of fisherfolk who are their descendants, and if sometimes the narrow, dark alleyways of the little town still seem to wear an outwardly sinister aspect, the easy-going affability of its smiling inhabitants quickly dispels it. From the green heights above, Porto Venere affords superb views out over the blue waters of the spectacularly lovely bay of Spezia



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This is just one more thing the captain will have to decide.

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A FRIEND of mine moved house the other day. He had taken away all the furniture with the exception of a grand piano, which was to be called for later. When he went back to the house, to see that everything was shipshape, he found two things that made him uneasy. There was a key left in the lock. And from upstairs he could hear the sound of somebody playing the piano.

He took the key out of the lock, went in and shouted upstairs: "You left your key in the lock," thinking it was the new tenant. The piano stopped and, although he heard no sound on the bare stairs, a hand came over the banister and took the key.

When my friend went upstairs to look into cupboards—there was nobody there.

But when he left he heard the piano begin again. . . .

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DARK Breasted Brent Geese, which like to winter at Bradwell-on-Sea, coming from Arctic Russia, have roused the protective instinct in ornithologists, for there is an American rocket range nearby. But the geese do not seem to mind the bangs as much as the people and when bangs go off people keep away.

It's an ill wind.

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ONCE Disraeli remarked, probably quite sincerely: "As the power of the Crown has diminished, the privileges of the people have disappeared."

Crowned heads are on the loose more than ever today, while the privileges of the people diminish visibly.

Would they be refreshed to any degree if the following were restored to their thrones?

H.I. and R.M. The Emperor Otto, H.M. King Simeon, H.M. King Henri VI, Mgr. the Bishop of Seo de Urgel, H.M. King Albrecht, H.M. Ernest-Augustus, Louis-Ferdinand, Frederick-Christian, Philip, Umberto II, Duarte II, Michael I, H.I.M. the Emperor Vladimir III, H.M. Juan III, H.M. Peter II.

These royal gentlemen claim the thrones of Austria, Bulgaria, France, Andorra, the



SIR ARTHUR MORSE, C.B.E., is the outstanding personality at the head of the British Travel and Holidays Association, of which he is Chairman. Before his appointment in 1954 he had retired from a successful career in the Far East as chief manager and chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. He was an immensely popular figure in Hong Kong and played an important part in the rehabilitation of the colony after the war

German principalities, Italy, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Yugoslavia.

Count Nicholas Tolstoy-Miloslavsky is responsible for this information and he wants these gentlemen restored to their thrones.

Alas, his chances are slight; his candidates seem condemned to winter at Estoril or go on cruises with Elsa Maxwell. As the late King Albert of the Belgians so sadly remarked: "*Il y a beaucoup de chaumage dans mon métier.*"

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IT seems to me that the controversy still in progress about the accuracy of Sir Laurence Olivier's film of Shakespeare's *Richard III* is pretty old stuff. To be sure, he has used a lot of Colley Cibber, Garrick and Sir Thomas More. Some of it is taken word for word from More.

But why not? Shakespeare was a craftsman. He would steal from the devil (although More was a saint) and sup with him with a short spoon. And Olivier isn't the first man to play games with a Shakespeare text.

Once in Hollywood, I was dining with a friend named Charles Bennett and in his bookshelf I found a treasured possession. His father was a London stage manager and had bequeathed to his son the great Kean's own reading copies of the Shakespeare plays. Now, Kean was no fool. He knew well that the tragedy of King Lear could be thrown quite out of gear if you

had too good a Fool. He had cut every line of the Fool and written in "Trumpets and Alarums."

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KENSINGTON High Street, near by where I live, gets jollier and jollier as the months go by. The other week I saw a notice in an undertaker's window:

"Cremation at a specially reduced fee can be arranged for Kensington residents," it read.

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SAID Lord Derby: "The more one thinks about Latin, the easier it is to understand why the Roman Empire fell."

Amo, amas, amat?

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THIS being a travel number, it provides me with the excuse for my favourite travel story, an episode which I witnessed outside one of those splendid cafés which spread in sunshaded glory all over the Place which leads to the Palais des Papes in Avignon.

A motor coachload of Londoners had been experimenting with coloured drinks, which are reasonably priced, but one of their number had demanded a whisky and soda, clearly in ignorance of the financial consequences of such an order. When the demand came, he questioned furiously the amount he received from the waiter in return for his 1,000 fr. note.

The row which followed had all the makings of a new revolution. The locals took sides, regardless of nationality. Some even mounted tables to encourage the crescendo. The Londoners stood their ground. They were waiting, they explained, to locate old Charley boy, who spoke French. At length he emerged from the café itself, a truly enormous man, who would only have looked at home on a brewer's dray, with a flat brown cap and cauliflower ears which almost seemed as if they were part of the head-gear.

"Ere you, garçon," he said in a bellow which silenced the throng, "Parlez vous Francais?"

"Mais oui, m'sieu. Ça ce voit."

"Very well then," said the spokesman from Blackfriars. "You give my china his dough, see?"

He got it.

IT is with the deepest regret that we have to record the sudden death of Paul Holt, who has been contributing this feature to The TATLER since November, 1954. Not only was he one of the outstanding journalists of his generation, whether as social commentator, war correspondent or critic, but with his brilliance was combined a personality of unique kindness and sympathy. It is by his own especial request that we print this, his last contribution to our pages. He was overtaken by illness before completing the article, and the final paragraph is by another hand.



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A CAMBRIDGE ROWING BALL

THE Cardinals Ball, held in Cambridge Guildhall and Corn Exchange, is timed to fall between the Lent Bumping Races and the Boat Race, to give crews some relaxation between training periods. It was greatly enjoyed by rowing and non-rowing guests alike



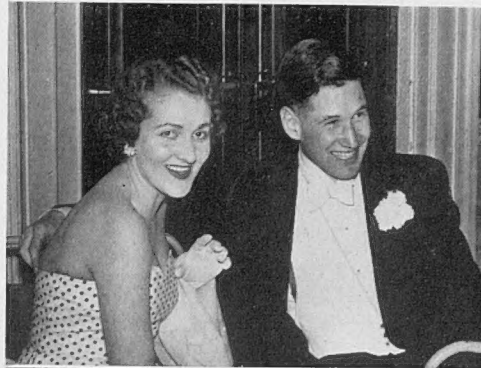
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Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother and the Queen on their way to the paddock

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After the painting by A. D. McCORMICK, R.I.

The Nelson Touch

THIS PICTURE illustrates the famous incident when Nelson, visiting Lord Sidmouth shortly before Trafalgar, dipped a finger in the port and sketched with the wine on the table his plan for the expected battle. Nelson explained the manner in which, should he be so fortunate as to meet the combined fleets, he proposed to attack them . . . "Rodney broke the line in one point: I will break it in two".



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